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## SECTION 1.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

NOTE.—*Estimated Population of States.*—For dates subsequent to the Census of 30th June, 1954, the estimated population in each State represents the population ascertained at the Census plus natural increase and recorded net migration into the State since the Census. As complete records of interstate migration are not available, the estimated State populations so derived are approximate and are subject to revision when the actual population of each State is ascertained at the next Census. For some States such revisions were substantial after the Census of 1954.

### AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding full-blood Aborigines).							Capital Cities, 30th June, 1958.
		Census—30th June, 1954.			Estimate—31st Dec., 1958.				
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.		
N.S.W. ..	309,433	1,720,860	1,702,669	3,423,529	1,865,917	1,859,769	3,725,686	2,016,620	
Victoria ..	87,884	1,231,099	1,221,242	2,452,341	1,394,876	1,376,043	2,770,919	1,726,100	
Queensland ..	670,500	676,252	642,007	1,318,259	729,148	695,670	1,424,818	558,000	
South Australia ..	380,070	403,903	393,191	797,094	459,522	448,470	907,992	548,000	
W. Australia ..	975,920	330,358	309,413	639,771	366,356	347,227	713,583	382,000	
Tasmania ..	26,215	157,129	151,623	308,752	179,818	166,727	346,545	105,110	
N. Territory ..	523,620	10,288	6,181	16,469	10,681	8,441	19,122	(a)8,066	
A.C.T. ..	939	16,229	14,086	30,315	22,957	19,996	42,953	39,061	
Australia ..	2,974,581	4,546,118	4,440,412	8,986,530	5,029,275	4,922,343	9,951,618	5,379,957	

(a) Municipality of Darwin.

### ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AT 30TH JUNE.									
1954a	3,423,529	2,452,341	1,318,259	797,094	639,771	308,752	16,469	30,315	8,986,530
1955	3,490,331	2,523,018	1,344,572	819,549	658,538	314,679	17,580	(b)32,424	9,200,691
1956	3,553,432	2,605,088	1,370,697	848,526	677,389	319,048	18,297	(b)34,481	9,427,558
1957	3,622,906	2,673,498	1,396,740	873,123	691,882	327,895	19,170	(c)37,865	9,643,079
1958	3,689,175	2,741,397	1,417,404	896,750	705,250	335,418	19,579	41,167	9,846,140

#### AT 31ST DECEMBER.

1953	3,409,009	2,416,035	1,298,420	785,665	631,743	316,465	15,635	29,714	8,902,686
1954	3,462,313	2,480,877	1,322,752	808,243	649,415	319,511	16,140	(b)31,144	9,090,395
1955	3,525,923	2,555,021	1,350,684	834,635	670,750	325,801	17,007	(b)33,470	9,313,291
1956	3,588,344	2,632,623	1,378,947	861,912	684,835	332,810	17,853	(b)36,010	9,533,334
1957	3,660,497	2,700,635	1,401,427	886,203	700,214	340,866	18,515	39,114	9,747,471
1958	3,725,686	2,770,919	1,424,818	907,992	713,583	346,545	19,122	42,953	9,951,618

(a) Census. (b) Revised estimates based on the results of the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows: 30th June, 1955, 32,750; 1956, 35,135; 31st December, 1954, 31,306; 1955, 33,960; 1956, 36,828. (c) Estimate based on the results of the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra.

### ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.									
1954	3,405,414	2,422,839	1,300,464	785,981	630,705	309,416	15,930	29,595	8,900,344
1955	3,459,538	2,488,115	1,325,356	807,501	648,930	312,987	16,536	(a)31,249	9,090,192
1956	3,524,379	2,564,849	1,352,629	834,465	669,040	319,192	17,474	(a)33,642	9,315,670
1957	3,588,033	2,640,105	1,380,466	861,373	684,518	326,137	18,340	(a)36,013	9,534,985
1958	3,658,325	2,707,192	1,403,279	885,973	698,548	334,105	19,033	39,283	9,745,738

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER.

1953	3,386,556	2,395,851	1,287,231	776,355	621,034	306,318	15,534	28,724	8,817,603
1954	3,428,488	2,453,458	1,313,055	796,361	640,140	311,128	16,214	(a)30,383	8,989,227
1955	3,492,385	2,526,275	1,338,995	820,143	658,747	316,153	17,040	(a)32,412	9,202,150
1956	3,555,854	2,604,283	1,366,496	848,531	677,317	322,216	17,896	(a)34,698	9,427,291
1957	3,622,557	2,673,654	1,392,384	874,159	691,723	330,200	18,730	(a)37,631	9,641,038
1958	3,693,282	2,740,286	1,414,362	896,933	705,600	337,735	19,226	41,110	9,845,534

(a) Revised estimates based on the results of the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows: Year ended 30th June, 1955, 31,411; 1956, 34,132; 1957, 36,749; Year ended 31st December, 1954, 30,424; 1955, 32,738; 1956, 35,352 and 1957, 37,999.

## INCREASE OF POPULATION.

State or Territory.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
<b>NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).</b>					
New South Wales .. .. .	40,681	41,854	41,650	46,139	47,695
Victoria .. .. .	32,106	33,809	34,507	36,333	37,644
Queensland .. .. .	19,832	21,045	20,223	22,084	22,417
South Australia .. .. .	11,048	10,958	11,371	11,960	12,304
Western Australia .. .. .	10,564	11,244	11,344	11,627	11,177
Tasmania .. .. .	5,074	5,600	5,591	5,765	5,860
Northern Territory .. .. .	407	396	449	531	591
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	739	735	910	966	1,093
Australia .. .. .	120,451	125,641	126,045	135,405	138,781
<b>RECORDED NET INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA MIGRATION (EXCESS OF ARRIVALS OVER DEPARTURES).</b>					
New South Wales .. .. .	15,977	21,756	20,771	26,014	17,494
Victoria .. .. .	31,764	40,335	43,095	31,679	32,640
Queensland .. .. .	3,544	6,887	8,040	396	974
South Australia .. .. .	9,968	15,434	15,906	12,331	9,485
Western Australia .. .. .	7,228	10,091	2,741	3,752	2,192
Tasmania .. .. .	-1,448	690	1,418	2,291	-181
Northern Territory .. .. .	201	471	397	131	16
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	(a)973	(a)1,591	(a)1,630	(a)2,138	2,746
Australia .. .. .	68,207	97,255	93,998	78,732	65,366
<b>TOTAL INCREASE.</b>					
New South Wales .. .. .	(b) 53,304	63,610	62,421	72,153	65,189
Victoria .. .. .	64,842	74,144	77,602	68,012	70,284
Queensland .. .. .	24,332	27,932	28,263	22,480	23,391
South Australia .. .. .	22,578	26,392	27,277	24,291	21,789
Western Australia .. .. .	17,672	21,335	14,085	15,379	13,369
Tasmania .. .. .	3,046	6,290	7,009	8,056	5,679
Northern Territory .. .. .	505	867	846	662	607
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	(c)1,430	(c)2,826	(c)2,540	(c)3,104	3,839
Australia .. .. .	187,709	222,896	220,043	214,137	204,147

(a) Revised figures based on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows: 1954, 1,135; 1955, 1,919; 1956, 1,958; 1957, 1,320. (b) Includes natural increase and recorded net interstate and overseas migration together with adjustments for differences disclosed by the results of the Census of 30th June, 1954. (c) Revised figures based on the June, 1957, Population Count of Canberra are as follows: 1954, 1,592; 1955, 2,654; 1956, 2,868; 1957, 2,286.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

## POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS—SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase. (a)	Net Oversea Migration. (b)	Total Increase.	Population at end of Period.
<b>Year—</b>							
1946 .. .. .	79,496	176,379	74,661	101,718	- 15,148	c87,784	7,517,981
1947 .. .. .	76,457	182,384	73,463	108,916	10,611	c119,982	7,637,963
1948 .. .. .	74,902	177,976	76,839	101,137	55,115	c154,502	7,792,465
1949 .. .. .	72,999	181,261	75,260	106,001	150,001	c253,105	8,045,570
1950 .. .. .	75,599	190,591	78,187	112,404	152,505	c261,911	8,307,481
1951 .. .. .	77,298	193,298	81,788	111,510	111,433	c220,426	8,527,907
1952 .. .. .	74,172	201,650	81,597	120,053	94,032	c211,662	8,739,569
1953 .. .. .	70,640	202,235	80,188	122,047	42,897	c163,117	8,902,686
1954 .. .. .	71,229	202,256	81,805	120,451	68,207	c187,709	9,090,395
1955 .. .. .	72,172	207,677	82,036	125,641	97,255	222,896	9,313,291
1956 .. .. .	71,780	212,183	86,088	126,045	93,998	220,043	9,533,334
1957 .. .. .	73,696	220,358	84,953	135,405	78,732	214,137	9,747,471
1958 .. .. .	74,001	222,504	83,723	138,781	65,366	204,147	9,951,618
<b>Quarter ended—</b>							
31st December, 1957 .. .. .	19,850	55,354	20,264	35,090	22,442	57,532	9,747,471
31st March, 1958 .. .. .	18,459	55,777	18,223	37,554	16,210	53,764	9,801,235
30th June, 1958 .. .. .	19,686	53,921	20,418	33,503	11,402	44,905	9,846,140
30th September, 1958 .. .. .	15,569	57,575	24,829	32,746	17,640	50,386	9,896,526
31st December, 1958 .. .. .	20,287	55,231	20,253	34,978	20,114	55,092	9,951,618

(a) Excess of births over deaths. For the period January, 1946, to June, 1947, excess of births over civilian deaths only. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals. Excludes troop movements for the period January, 1946, to June, 1947. (c) Includes natural increase and net overseas migration together with adjustments for deaths of defence personnel and differences disclosed by the Censuses of 30th June, 1947 and 1954.

## MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

State or Territory.	Marriages.	Births.			Deaths.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1958.							
New South Wales	7,924	10,080	9,489	19,569	4,320	3,409	7,729
Victoria.. ..	5,889	8,092	7,720	15,812	3,104	2,696	5,800
Queensland ..	2,771	4,180	3,750	7,930	1,603	1,127	2,730
South Australia ..	1,638	2,522	2,538	5,060	1,082	855	1,937
Western Australia	1,293	2,145	1,979	4,124	789	554	1,343
Tasmania ..	611	1,144	1,069	2,213	357	285	642
Northern Territory	64	81	84	165	16	5	21
Australian Capital Territory ..	97	182	176	358	31	20	51
Australia ..	20,287	28,426	26,805	55,231	11,302	8,951	20,253

## YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1958.

New South Wales	28,554	40,809	39,236	80,045	18,279	14,071	32,350
Victoria.. ..	20,649	31,517	29,752	61,269	12,778	10,847	23,625
Queensland ..	10,255	17,443	16,429	33,872	6,729	4,726	11,455
South Australia ..	6,505	10,181	9,866	20,047	4,262	3,481	7,743
Western Australia	5,038	8,532	8,199	16,731	3,270	2,284	5,554
Tasmania ..	2,475	4,449	4,119	8,568	1,534	1,174	2,708
Northern Territory	201	347	350	697	87	19	106
Australian Capital Territory ..	324	679	596	1,275	110	72	182
Australia ..	74,001	113,957	108,547	222,504	47,049	36,674	83,723

State or Territory.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
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## MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	27,503	27,645	27,313	28,767	28,554
Victoria .. ..	19,404	20,056	20,137	20,239	20,649
Queensland .. ..	10,027	10,098	9,934	10,271	10,255
South Australia .. ..	6,190	6,226	6,277	6,581	6,505
Western Australia .. ..	5,204	5,145	5,080	4,897	5,038
Tasmania .. ..	2,512	2,600	2,601	2,507	2,475
Northern Territory .. ..	143	151	160	178	201
Australian Capital Territory ..	246	251	278	256	324
Australia .. ..	71,229	72,172	71,780	73,696	74,001

DISSOLUTIONS AND NULLITIES OF MARRIAGE.—Australia—1954, 6,517; 1956, 6,481; 1957, New South Wales, 3,013; Victoria, 1,362; Queensland, 689; South Australia, 538; Western Australia, 545; Tasmania, 180; Northern Territory, 18; Australian Capital Territory, 29; Australia, 6,374.

## Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
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## MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales .. ..	8.02	7.92	7.68	7.94	7.73
Victoria .. ..	7.91	7.94	7.73	7.57	7.54
Queensland .. ..	7.64	7.54	7.27	7.38	7.25
South Australia .. ..	7.77	7.59	7.40	7.53	7.25
Western Australia .. ..	8.13	7.81	7.50	7.08	7.14
Tasmania .. ..	8.07	8.22	8.07	7.59	7.33
Northern Territory .. ..	8.82	8.86	8.94	9.50	10.45
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	(a) 8.10	(a) 7.74	(a) 8.01	(a) 6.80	7.88
Australia .. ..	7.92	7.84	7.61	7.64	7.51

## BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	73,125	74,407	75,714	79,456	80,045
Victoria .. ..	54,660	56,336	58,393	60,464	61,269
Queensland .. ..	31,176	32,352	32,409	33,763	33,872
South Australia .. ..	18,227	18,494	18,964	19,536	20,047
Western Australia .. ..	15,928	16,623	16,916	16,924	16,731
Tasmania .. ..	7,770	8,089	8,104	8,435	8,568
Northern Territory .. ..	513	515	556	646	697
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	857	861	1,077	1,134	1,275
Australia .. ..	202,256	207,677	212,133	220,358	222,504

## BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales .. ..	21.33	21.31	21.29	21.93	21.67
Victoria .. ..	22.28	22.30	22.42	22.61	22.36
Queensland .. ..	23.74	24.16	23.72	24.25	23.95
South Australia .. ..	22.89	22.55	22.35	22.35	22.35
Western Australia .. ..	24.88	25.23	24.98	24.47	23.71
Tasmania .. ..	24.97	25.59	25.15	25.55	25.37
Northern Territory .. ..	31.64	30.22	31.07	34.49	36.25
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	(b) 28.21	(b) 26.56	(b) 31.04	(b) 30.13	31.01
Australia .. ..	22.50	22.57	22.50	22.86	22.59

## DEATHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	32,444	32,553	34,064	33,317	32,350
Victoria .. ..	22,554	22,527	23,886	24,131	23,625
Queensland .. ..	11,344	11,307	12,186	11,679	11,455
South Australia .. ..	7,179	7,536	7,593	7,576	7,743
Western Australia .. ..	5,364	5,379	5,572	5,297	5,554
Tasmania .. ..	2,696	2,489	2,513	2,670	2,708
Northern Territory .. ..	106	119	107	115	106
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	118	126	167	168	182
Australia .. ..	81,805	82,036	86,088	84,953	83,723

(a) Rates based on the revised estimates of mean population for the Australian Capital Territory consequent on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows:—1954, 8.09; 1955, 7.67; 1956, 7.86; 1957, 6.74. (b) Rate based on the revised estimates of mean population for the Australian Capital Territory consequent on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows:—1954, 28.17; 1955, 26.30; 1956, 30.47; 1957, 29.84.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.
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## DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales .. .. .	9.46	9.32	9.58	9.20	8.76
Victoria .. .. .	9.19	8.92	9.17	9.03	8.62
Queensland .. .. .	8.64	8.44	8.92	8.39	8.10
South Australia .. .. .	9.01	9.19	8.95	8.67	8.63
Western Australia .. .. .	8.38	8.17	8.23	7.66	7.87
Tasmania .. .. .	8.67	7.87	7.80	8.09	8.02
Northern Territory .. .. .	6.54	6.98	5.98	6.14	5.51
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	(a) 3.88	(a) 3.89	(a) 4.81	(a) 4.46	4.43
Australia .. .. .	9.10	8.91	9.13	8.81	8.50

## DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales .. .. .	1,850	1,850	1,777	1,804	1,704
Victoria .. .. .	1,055	1,035	1,128	1,219	1,178
Queensland .. .. .	695	656	737	732	657
South Australia .. .. .	388	431	377	403	449
Western Australia .. .. .	359	373	384	357	360
Tasmania .. .. .	186	189	170	170	167
Northern Territory .. .. .	9	26	24	22	22
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	4	12	11	10	23
Australia .. .. .	4,546	4,572	4,608	4,717	4,560

## INFANT MORTALITY—RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS.

New South Wales .. .. .	25.30	24.86	23.47	22.70	21.29
Victoria .. .. .	19.30	18.37	19.32	20.16	19.23
Queensland .. .. .	22.29	20.28	22.74	21.68	19.40
South Australia .. .. .	21.29	23.30	19.88	20.63	22.40
Western Australia .. .. .	22.54	22.44	22.70	21.09	21.52
Tasmania .. .. .	23.94	23.37	20.98	20.15	19.49
Northern Territory .. .. .	17.54	50.49	43.17	34.06	31.56
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	4.67	13.94	10.21	8.82	18.04
Australia .. .. .	22.48	22.01	21.72	21.41	20.49

(a) Rates based on the revised estimates of mean population for the Australian Capital Territory consequent on the June, 1957 Population Count of Canberra are as follows :—1954, 3.88; 1955, 3.85; 1956, 4.72; 1957, 4.42.

## OVERSEA MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Figures to 30th June, 1933, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census. Figures from 1st July, 1933, are as recorded.

Period.	Total Arrivals.			Total Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,336	147,437	340,773	129,707
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	-10,886
1936-40(a) ..	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45(a) ..	35,422	28,503	63,925	30,097	26,019	56,116	7,809
1946-50(a) ..	398,507	303,413	701,920	180,779	168,057	348,836	353,084
1951-55 ..	581,300	446,566	1,027,866	340,819	273,223	614,042	413,824
1953 ..	88,584	74,541	163,125	68,483	51,745	120,228	42,897
1954 ..	109,601	88,424	198,025	72,073	57,745	129,818	68,207
1955 ..	123,463	103,774	227,237	76,805	63,177	139,982	97,255
1956 ..	141,408	106,040	247,448	87,013	66,437	153,450	93,998
1957 ..	123,487	109,841	233,328	87,081	67,515	154,596	78,732
1958 ..	121,030	109,234	230,264	91,367	73,531	164,898	65,366

(a) Excludes troop movements September, 1939, to June, 1947.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

Oversea Arrivals and Departures—Long Term and Permanent Movement(a) classified according to Nationality.

Nationality.	Arrivals.(b)			Departures.(c)		
	Quarter ended December, 1958.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December, 1958.	Year ended December—	
		1957.	1958.		1957.	1958.
British(d) .. ..	15,324	52,533	60,196	9,606	31,780	34,071
American (U.S.) .. ..	416	1,341	1,352	230	1,054	873
Austrian .. ..	449	1,856	1,328	170	291	501
Belgian .. ..	8	50	49	6	14	36
Chinese .. ..	125	737	666	36	226	135
Czechoslovak .. ..	8	40	43	7	69	72
Danish .. ..	130	1,282	518	57	89	155
Dutch .. ..	2,941	7,920	7,490	452	1,755	1,798
Estonian .. ..	2	8	6	3	12	13
Finnish .. ..	721	256	1,651	13	39	37
French .. ..	82	431	362	78	286	304
German .. ..	1,510	5,484	5,824	537	1,283	1,783
Greek .. ..	639	7,248	5,363	151	476	607
Hungarian .. ..	90	11,364	720	24	54	142
Israeli .. ..	142	497	476	11	34	28
Italian .. ..	3,369	17,173	12,951	707	2,578	2,954
Japanese .. ..	36	193	359	19	77	99
Latvian .. ..	3	13	12	2	30	22
Lebanese .. ..	65	452	333	5	39	32
Lithuanian .. ..	5	9	8	13	16	42
Norwegian .. ..	25	187	121	7	46	47
Polish(e) .. ..	460	506	1,517	18	74	136
Russian(f) .. ..	166	1,397	518	40	52	124
Swedish .. ..	38	171	113	9	40	58
Swiss .. ..	57	318	212	22	122	133
Ukrainian .. ..	2	20	10	13	30	82
Yugoslav .. ..	297	1,305	1,219	25	61	93
Stateless .. ..	1,241	5,261	5,636	63	179	291
Other .. ..	157	643	804	82	267	310
Total .. ..	28,508	118,695	109,857	12,406	41,073	44,978

(a) Persons arriving who state they intend to reside in Australia for a period of one year or more and persons departing who state they intend to reside abroad for a period of one year or more.

(b) Excludes Australian residents returning from absences of less than one year and Australian troops irrespective of their length of stay abroad.

(c) Excludes visitors departing after a stay of less than one year in Australia and Australian troops.

(d) "Irish" nationality has been combined with "British" for the purpose of this table.

(e) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Polish.

(f) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Russian.

Oversea Arrivals and Departures—Long Term and Permanent Movement(a) classified according to Country of Last Residence or Intended Future Residence.

Country of Last Residence(d) (Arrivals) or Intended Future Residence(d) (Departures).	Arrivals.(b)			Departures.(c)		
	Quarter ended December 1958.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December 1958.	Year ended December—	
		1957.	1958.		1957.	1958.
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	10,326	38,092	44,062	5,779	12,947	16,279
Canada .. ..	669	1,404	1,430	250	2,371	1,799
Cyprus .. ..	36	265	311	2	48	28
India, Ceylon and Pakistan .. ..	337	979	1,021	120	553	483
Malta .. ..	545	1,288	1,871	198	980	603
New Guinea .. ..	228	913	924	393	1,977	1,717
New Zealand .. ..	1,070	2,519	3,310	873	5,013	4,326
Papua .. ..	226	645	754	218	1,439	1,168
Union of South Africa ..	119	285	379	71	315	270
Other .. ..	1,193	4,437	5,106	894	2,984	3,429
Total, Commonwealth Countries .. ..	14,749	50,827	59,168	8,798	28,627	30,102
Austria .. ..	877	4,647	3,178	151	238	436
Denmark .. ..	128	1,298	507	49	76	134
France .. ..	198	1,039	659	87	297	325
Germany .. ..	1,606	5,795	6,120	498	1,125	1,500
Greece .. ..	676	6,464	5,023	176	361	731
Hungary .. ..	73	9,983	1,185	21	11	66
Italy .. ..	3,879	18,181	14,468	982	4,014	4,602
Netherlands .. ..	2,927	7,893	7,163	472	1,340	1,472
Poland .. ..	447	442	1,473	5	29	37
Yugoslavia .. ..	359	2,316	1,718	25	34	74
Other European .. ..	953	1,298	2,641	176	635	1,010
China .. ..	193	1,584	749	6	70	41
Indonesia .. ..	63	272	466	38	225	168
Egypt .. ..	58	2,164	846	3	37	17
United States of America	729	2,054	2,111	657	2,753	3,187
Polynesian Islands ..	48	147	171	36	308	234
Other .. ..	545	2,291	2,211	226	893	842
Total, Foreign Countries	13,759	67,868	50,689	3,608	12,446	14,876
GRAND TOTAL ..	28,508	118,695	109,857	12,406	41,073	44,978

(a) See note (a) on page 8.  
(d) For a year or more.

(b) See note (b) on page 8.

(c) See note (c) on page 8.

**Oversea Arrivals and Departures—Short Term Movement(a) classified according to the Country of Last Residence or Intended Future Residence.**

Country of Last Residence(d) (Arrivals) or Intended Future Residence(d) (Departures).	Arrivals.(b)			Departures.(c)		
	Quarter ended December 1958.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December 1958.	Year ended December—	
		1957.	1958.		1957.	1958.
Australia .. ..	16,356	56,017	59,065	14,748	53,438	58,888
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	2,728	9,590	8,737	3,060	9,525	9,876
Canada .. ..	398	1,032	1,031	242	1,109	1,068
India, Ceylon and Pakistan .. ..	498	1,306	1,412	421	1,152	1,304
New Guinea .. ..	1,282	3,597	3,797	851	3,271	3,312
New Zealand .. ..	6,387	19,207	21,434	5,685	21,984	22,154
Papua .. ..	1,235	3,604	3,681	729	2,916	3,098
Union of South Africa ..	194	737	579	132	649	507
Other .. ..	1,990	6,406	6,730	1,633	6,236	5,931
Total, Commonwealth Countries excluding Australia .. ..	14,712	45,479	47,401	12,753	46,842	47,250
Denmark .. ..	33	60	101	31	87	118
France .. ..	81	436	384	124	479	491
Germany .. ..	143	398	485	139	431	480
Greece .. ..	35	103	86	23	101	87
Hungary .. ..	9	49	90	1	28	21
Italy .. ..	71	251	241	95	392	380
Netherlands .. ..	281	726	853	228	636	847
Yugoslavia .. ..	24	63	111	8	11	34
Other European .. ..	196	691	852	201	710	883
China .. ..	49	111	146	7	162	95
Indonesia .. ..	139	670	634	99	512	349
Egypt .. ..	10	34	22	10	9	18
United States of America	1,690	5,844	6,065	1,471	6,084	6,434
Polynesian Islands ..	301	1,299	1,267	181	1,390	1,098
Other .. ..	788	2,402	2,604	787	2,211	2,447
Total, Foreign Countries	3,850	13,137	13,941	3,405	13,243	13,782
GRAND TOTAL ..	34,918	114,633	120,407	30,906	113,523	119,920

(a) Persons arriving who state they intend to reside in Australia for a period of less than one year and persons departing who state they intend to reside abroad for a period of less than one year.

(b) Excludes Australian residents returning after absences of one year or more.

(c) Excludes visitors

departing after a stay of one year or more in Australia.

(d) For a period of one year or more.

## SECTION II.—PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INDUSTRIES.

### WHEAT FOR GRAIN: AREA, PRODUCTION AND YIELD PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AREA. ( <sup>'000</sup> Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	4,651	2,748	442	3,080	3,413	10	2	14,346
1953-54 ..	3,357	2,389	580	1,528	2,885	10	2	10,751
1954-55 ..	2,919	2,390	688	1,689	2,979	7	1	10,673
1955-56 ..	2,937	2,141	582	1,609	2,890	6	1	10,166
1956-57 ..	1,742	1,565	360	1,438	2,765	4	..	7,874
1957-58 (a) ..	2,257	1,835	461	1,331	2,957	6	1	8,848

PRODUCTION. ( <sup>'000</sup> Bushels.)								
1938-39 ..	59,898	18,104	8,584	31,675	36,844	205	59	155,369
1953-54 ..	63,681	53,698	10,180	30,409	39,700	263	29	197,960
1954-55 ..	37,718	48,484	16,478	31,463	34,300	158	15	168,616
1955-56 ..	57,149	41,083	14,922	28,892	53,250	129	19	195,444
1956-57 ..	28,490	35,282	7,061	31,432	32,100	89	1	134,455
1957-58 (a) ..	10,603	32,134	6,657	14,914	33,100	153	5	97,566

YIELD PER ACRE. (Bushels.)								
1938-39 ..	12.9	6.6	19.4	10.3	10.8	20.8	28.7	10.8
1953-54 ..	19.0	22.5	17.6	19.9	13.8	27.2	18.5	18.4
1954-55 ..	12.9	20.3	24.0	18.6	11.5	21.7	19.4	15.8
1955-56 ..	19.5	19.2	25.7	18.0	18.4	20.7	25.5	19.2
1956-57 ..	16.4	22.5	19.6	21.9	11.6	22.7	11.1	17.1
1957-58 (a) ..	4.7	17.5	14.5	11.2	11.2	26.1	8.9	11.0

### TOTAL AREA OF WHEAT GROWN FOR ALL PURPOSES. (<sup>'000</sup> Acres.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	5,223	3,033	499	3,344	3,613	14	2	15,728
1953-54 ..	3,548	2,429	658	1,604	2,938	15	2	11,194
1954-55 ..	3,178	2,430	745	1,767	3,100	12	1	11,233
1955-56 ..	3,064	2,174	640	1,678	2,965	10	1	10,532
1956-57 ..	1,810	1,585	408	1,481	2,832	7	..	8,123
1957-58 (a) ..	2,548	1,871	554	1,411	3,051	10	1	9,446

### OTHER PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.			Cut for crushing.	Cane Sugar. (94 N.T.)	

AREA. ( <sup>'000</sup> Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	1,784	745	324	98	3,250	262	..	23,500
1953-54 ..	2,137	1,803	179	128	1,935	340	..	21,013
1954-55 ..	2,574	1,691	170	107	1,984	374	..	21,695
1955-56 ..	3,354	1,894	167	94	2,241	373	..	22,454
1956-57 ..	2,556	2,093	182	101	1,861	370	..	19,401
1957-58 (a) ..	2,958	2,121	184	118	2,237	376	..	21,471

PRODUCTION.								
Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.			Cut for crushing.	Cane Sugar. (94 N.T.)	
1938-39 ..	15,555	10,831	7,057	274	3,321	5,679	820	..
1953-54 ..	32,961	41,272	5,079	548	3,049	9,014	1,254	..
1954-55 ..	32,834	29,400	5,076	468	2,856	10,087	1,328	..
1955-56 ..	56,487	41,655	4,755	402	3,625	8,901	1,172	..
1956-57 ..	35,396	49,279	5,494	519	3,043	9,272	1,208	..
1957-58 (a) ..	31,426	30,466	5,639	575	2,969	9,249	1,293	..

(a) Subject to revision.

### NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVESTOCK ( '000.)

March.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas- mania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
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#### HORSES.

1939	..	531	344	(a) 445	(a) 196	(a) 144	(a) 30	33	1	1,724
1954	..	280	141	273	52	49	17	37	1	850
1955	..	258	132	267	49	47	16	33	1	803
1956	..	247	119	261	44	46	15	37	1	770
1957	..	235	108	255	41	45	14	(b) 38	1	737
1958(c)	..	221	98	243	35	44	13	(b) 39	1	694

#### CATTLE—BEEF.

1954	..	2,268	829	5,703	230	600	122	966	6	10,724
1955	..	2,196	856	5,861	255	633	129	969	5	10,904
1956	..	2,341	954	5,946	302	673	148	1,028	6	11,398
1957	..	2,577	1,044	6,087	356	733	158	(b) 1,176	8	12,139
1958(c)	..	2,429	1,026	5,917	338	771	166	(b) 1,244	7	11,898

#### CATTLE—DAIRY.

1954	..	1,286	1,541	1,383	261	230	174	..	3	4,878
1955	..	1,265	1,600	1,377	269	228	190	..	3	4,932
1956	..	1,338	1,662	1,384	264	224	184	..	3	5,059
1957	..	1,334	1,721	1,375	265	224	196	..	3	5,118
1958(c)	..	1,307	1,724	1,270	259	226	205	..	3	4,994

#### CATTLE—TOTAL.

1939	..	2,812	1,697	(a) 6,097	(a) 319	(a) 768	(a) 262	900	7	12,862
1954	..	3,554	2,370	7,086	491	830	296	966	9	15,602
1955	..	3,461	2,456	7,238	524	861	319	969	8	15,836
1956	..	3,679	2,616	7,330	566	897	332	1,028	9	16,457
1957	..	3,911	2,765	7,462	621	957	354	(b) 1,176	11	17,257
1958(c)	..	3,736	2,750	7,187	597	997	371	(b) 1,244	10	16,892

#### SHEEP.

1939	..	48,877	17,007	a 23,159	a 9,937	a 9,177	a 2,626	30	245	111,058
1954	..	59,639	21,438	18,194	11,838	13,087	2,465	31	252	126,944
1955	..	59,200	22,330	20,222	12,817	13,411	2,595	29	245	130,849
1956	..	62,988	23,343	22,116	13,585	14,128	2,673	33	258	139,124
1957	..	67,670	25,831	23,190	14,984	14,887	2,943	(b) 30	267	149,802
1958(c)	..	65,410	27,090	22,274	15,236	15,724	3,298	(b) 27	256	149,315

#### PIGS.

1939	..	377	253	(a) 325	(a) 71	(a) 83	(a) 45	1	1	1,156
1954	..	372	232	384	61	101	46	1	..	1,197
1955	..	375	264	407	85	107	58	1	..	1,297
1956	..	343	227	373	73	99	50	1	..	1,166
1957	..	387	258	395	92	140	52	(b) 1	..	1,325
1958(c)	..	397	279	423	108	151	62	(b) 2	..	1,422

(a) December, previous year.

(b) As at end of June.

(c) Subject to revision.

### PRODUCTION OF WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE). ( '000 lb.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas- mania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australi.
1938-39 ..	437,141	165,829	b 179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1953-54 ..	544,934	223,481	174,414	145,509	134,442	20,116	290	2,276	1,245,462
1954-55 ..	540,977	253,364	176,548	155,761	129,662	23,797	311	2,232	1,282,652
1955-56 ..	593,712	273,356	194,014	173,697	156,454	23,418	393	2,328	1,417,372
1956-57 ..	660,343	299,572	227,664	188,808	156,402	28,663	346	2,457	1,564,255
1957-58(c) ..	557,287	296,490	204,375	185,843	158,281	29,154	291	2,133	1,433,854

(a) Estimated.

(b) For year ended 31st December, 1938.

(c) Subject to revision.

## PRODUCTION OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia. (a)
WHOLE MILK FOR ALL PURPOSES. ( <sup>000</sup> gal.)								
1938-39 ..	311,384	377,881	347,336	72,521	45,562	34,829	350	1,189,863
1953-54 ..	282,187	474,353	249,712	85,014	49,996	47,642	743	1,189,652
1954-55 ..	315,719	536,835	275,605	90,699	54,194	52,022	725	1,325,799
1955-56 ..	333,942	577,475	282,296	90,342	55,668	61,405	884	1,402,012
1956-57 ..	306,298	587,199	252,336	89,882	57,008	64,262	957	1,357,942
1957-58(b) ..	289,412	565,827	207,707	79,141	53,521	44,655	853	1,261,116
Six months ended—								
Dec. 1957(b) ..	139,116	359,856	90,416	50,702	37,154	39,633	464	717,341
Dec. 1958(b) ..	162,189	352,625	118,334	51,703	34,955	38,210	515	758,581

## BUTTER (Factory and Farm).

(Tons.)								
1938-39 ..	53,045	58,292	70,869	9,248	7,252	5,283	8	203,497
1953-54 ..	31,354	64,396	42,154	7,862	6,281	7,533	5	159,585
1954-55 ..	40,128	80,182	46,223	8,704	7,266	8,571	4	191,078
1955-56 ..	42,568	91,354	48,541	8,724	7,506	10,214	4	208,911
1956-57 ..	35,299	89,322	41,422	8,598	7,545	10,664	4	192,854
1957-58(b) ..	31,440	86,923	32,609	7,066	6,855	10,874	4	175,771
Six months ended—								
Dec. 1957(b) ..	14,513	57,123	13,420	4,720	5,451	6,843	2	102,072
Dec. 1958(b) ..	18,711	55,870	18,426	4,663	4,755	6,583	2	109,010

## CHEESE (Factory and Farm).

(Tons.)								
1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1953-54 ..	3,210	25,987	6,746	11,612	1,208	294	..	49,057
1954-55 ..	2,508	20,302	7,921	13,101	1,086	275	..	45,193
1955-56 ..	3,379	14,010	7,579	12,633	766	333	..	38,700
1956-57 ..	4,019	20,567	7,137	11,958	1,190	345	..	45,216
1957-58(b) ..	4,042	18,817	5,150	10,493	1,050	338	..	34,890
Six months ended—								
Dec. 1957(b) ..	1,977	9,374	2,591	8,107	792	201	..	23,042
Dec. 1958(b) ..	2,584	9,969	3,866	8,254	805	201	..	25,679

(a) Excludes the Northern Territory.

(b) Subject to revision.

## CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC., MILK PRODUCTS : AUSTRALIA.(a)

Period.	Full Cream Milk Products.				Total Whole Milk Equivalent of Full Cream Milk Products.	Milk By-Products.			
	Condensed, Concentrated and Evaporated Full Cream Milk.(b)		Powdered Full Cream Milk.	Infants' and Invalids' Foods. (d)		Condensed, Concentrated and Evaporated Skim and Buttermilk.	Powdered Skim Milk	Powdered Buttermilk and Whey. (e)	Casein.
	Sweetened (c)	Un-sweetened.							
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	'000 gals.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1953-54..	36,074	25,776	18,905	11,739	75,995	1,042	19,804	5,358	3,827
1954-55..	30,520	18,045	15,539	10,921	64,365	6,053	24,618	5,086	6,870
1955-56..	35,065	25,561	17,211	12,861	71,324	3,866	30,898	4,990	9,367
1956-57	39,980	28,221	17,864	13,567	78,123	4,731	30,567	5,551	7,730
1957-58(f)	37,248	20,793	18,090	13,937	76,875	6,339	24,049	5,514	10,353
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(f)	24,240	17,556	10,456	7,821	47,159	2,672	17,431	3,554	6,714
Dec. 1958(f)	20,035	18,318	11,443	7,817	46,852	3,213	20,395	3,500	7,032

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

(b) Includes (i) mixtures of Full Cream and Skim Milk and (ii) mixtures of Full Cream, Skim and Buttermilk.

(c) Includes "Coffee and Milk".

(d) Includes

MalTED Milk and Milk Sugar (Lactose).

(e) Includes Powdered Mixed Skim and Buttermilk.

(f) Subject to revision.

# PRODUCTION OF MEAT (BONE-IN WEIGHT). (Tons.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BEEF (Including Veal).									
1938-39 ..	172,001	118,985	207,007	24,731	27,733	10,946	2,235	572	559,210
1953-54 ..	220,915	140,019	257,783	34,122	35,494	11,003	3,277	1,656	704,269
1954-55 ..	215,462	142,719	271,550	34,431	37,087	13,670	3,374	1,616	719,909
1955-56 ..	222,315	139,114	291,532	37,512	38,170	15,416	5,203	1,795	751,057
1956-57 ..	235,143	158,967	316,754	40,262	33,267	17,916	5,371	1,906	814,586
1957-58(a) ..	226,384	171,916	271,394	40,141	39,980	20,290	5,333	1,906	777,344
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(a) ..	113,133	82,238	139,485	20,194	19,134	9,797	2,654	949	387,584
Dec. 1958(a) ..	135,983	86,595	178,030	20,198	22,401	10,012	2,834	1,085	457,138
MUTTON.									
1938-39 ..	72,131	77,445	18,950	18,495	14,362	4,004	5	356	205,748
1953-54 ..	75,771	87,302	18,075	30,714	18,908	6,004	72	720	237,566
1954-55 ..	73,484	93,322	17,254	28,581	20,916	6,050	78	845	240,580
1955-56 ..	70,841	85,515	21,215	27,303	23,338	5,177	59	980	234,428
1956-57 ..	70,414	75,135	21,561	26,526	23,640	5,720	49	865	223,910
1957-58(a) ..	74,038	103,813	20,542	34,009	22,152	5,716	86	865	261,221
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(a) ..	36,831	49,818	10,189	16,562	11,107	2,797	39	432	127,775
Dec. 1958(a) ..	41,600	53,371	11,698	16,283	14,912	3,340	44	450	141,698
LAMB.									
1938-39 ..	28,535	58,685	1,506	15,557	7,852	2,325	..	84	114,544
1953-54 ..	48,759	48,320	1,617	14,757	8,358	5,069	..	366	127,246
1954-55 ..	49,015	62,239	1,296	21,272	7,497	5,851	..	414	147,634
1955-56 ..	49,774	60,713	1,805	17,036	9,421	6,601	..	353	145,703
1956-57 ..	51,533	56,118	2,305	16,037	9,663	6,887	..	333	142,876
1957-58(a) ..	50,452	60,747	2,396	18,319	10,052	7,696	..	333	149,995
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(a) ..	24,329	36,883	1,148	12,590	6,975	3,621	..	165	85,711
Dec. 1958(a) ..	33,103	43,594	1,717	14,959	7,961	4,195	..	174	105,703
PORK.									
1938-39 ..	9,617	10,769	11,844	2,037	1,092	1,623	8	43	37,033
1953-54 ..	12,949	7,332	7,216	2,253	2,032	1,399	69	146	33,396
1954-55 ..	17,026	11,078	8,948	3,521	4,362	2,027	65	192	47,219
1955-56 ..	14,952	10,709	8,016	3,247	3,529	2,215	67	204	42,939
1956-57 ..	14,840	10,676	6,734	2,724	3,322	2,093	50	200	40,648
1957-58(a) ..	16,751	12,946	7,709	3,650	4,508	2,366	65	200	48,195
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(a) ..	8,731	6,352	3,503	1,796	2,209	1,070	33	98	23,792
Dec. 1958(a) ..	8,987	6,330	4,050	2,270	2,340	1,277	43	119	25,416
BACON AND HAM (Cured weight).									
1938-39 ..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	..	33,238
1953-54(b) ..	11,875	7,044	10,655	3,024	3,443	949	..	..	36,990
1954-55(b) ..	11,769	8,074	10,807	3,378	3,316	1,027	..	..	38,371
1955-56(b) ..	11,463	7,929	10,224	3,587	3,231	1,040	..	..	37,474
1956-57(b) ..	10,322	7,721	9,901	3,415	3,054	917	..	..	35,330
1957-58(a)(b) ..	11,301	8,285	9,645	3,296	2,949	864	..	..	36,400
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(a)(b) ..	6,053	4,215	5,180	1,816	1,594	478	..	..	19,336
Dec. 1958(a)(b) ..	6,538	4,702	6,302	1,801	1,567	467	..	..	21,377
TOTAL IN TERMS OF FRESH MEAT.									
1938-39 ..	299,975	271,939	252,045	64,829	53,880	20,421	2,248	1,055	966,392
1953-54 ..	374,543	292,532	299,181	85,960	69,475	24,769	3,418	2,888	1,152,766
1954-55 ..	370,992	320,388	313,745	92,399	74,373	29,000	3,517	3,067	1,207,481
1955-56 ..	373,473	306,834	336,473	89,975	78,851	30,829	5,329	3,332	1,225,096
1956-57 ..	385,969	311,398	360,820	90,192	79,045	33,364	5,479	3,304	1,270,071
1957-58(a) ..	383,077	360,692	315,159	100,601	80,703	37,242	5,484	3,304	1,280,262
Six months ended—									
Dec. 1957(a) ..	191,257	181,024	161,370	53,612	41,593	17,936	2,726	1,644	651,162
Dec. 1958(a) ..	228,565	196,284	204,065	56,159	49,745	19,456	2,921	1,828	759,023

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes pressed and canned bacon and ham converted to bone-in weight.

**MINING AND QUARRYING—VALUE OF OUTPUT(a).**  
(£'000.)

Industry and Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust.
1956.								
Metal Mining—								
Gold Mining ..	250	653	297	(b)	13,275	..	1,032	15,507
Silver-Lead-Zinc Mining	34,104	..	(c)	(b)	(c)	3,051	..	54,429
Copper-Gold Mining ..	22	..	(c)	(b)	(c)	..	1,360	6,667
Tin Mining ..	230	..	465	..	204	1,006	1	1,906
Mineral Sands Mining	5,130	..	1,925	..	(b)	..	(b)	7,055
Other Metal Mining	80	27	(c)	4,584	1,327	(c)	159	9,079
Total Metal Mining	39,816	680	22,130	4,584	15,354	9,527	2,552	94,643
Fuel Mining—								
Black Coal Mining ..	40,637	668	6,988	794	2,724	628	..	52,439
Brown Coal Mining ..	..	4,644	..	..	..	..	..	4,644
Total Fuel Mining	40,637	5,312	6,988	794	2,724	628	..	57,083
Non-Metal (excl. Fuel) Mining(d) ..	2,411	1,161	595	2,462	1,268	215	42	8,154
Construction Material Quarrying (d) ..	5,926	4,738	491	4,070	884	185	..	(e)16,440
Total All Mining and Quarrying ..	88,790	11,891	30,204	11,910	20,230	10,555	2,594	e 176,320
1955(d) ..	84,244	10,917	26,892	10,512	19,746	10,744	1,691	e 164,871
1954(d) ..	78,202	10,080	21,602	8,580	20,736	8,955	1,145	e 149,403
1953(d) ..	72,346	9,329	17,284	6,203	20,011	8,037	1,221	e 134,542
1952(d) ..	77,097	8,535	17,429	6,047	17,704	8,750	1,282	136,844
1951(d) ..	67,877	6,949	10,922	4,938	13,474	10,552	(f)	114,712

(a) Selling value at point of sale of mine or quarry product less transport costs from mine or quarry to point of sale (i.e. value of output at mine or quarry, from 1952.) For 1951 totals have been estimated by Government Statisticians in each State using values of individual products recorded by Mines Departments and other relevant data. (b) Not available for publication. Included with Other Metal Mining. (c) Not available for publication. (d) Incomplete for some Non-Metal (excluding Fuel) Mining and for Construction Material Quarrying in some States. (e) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (f) Not available.

**PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS.**

State or Territory and Year.	Principal Metallic Contents of Minerals Produced.							Coal.	
	Copper.	Gold.	Iron.	Lead.	Tin.	Tung-sten.(a)	Zinc.	Black.	Brown.
	tons.	'000 f.o.z.	'000 tons	'000 tons	tons.	tons.	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons
SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1958.									
New South Wales	1,115	4	..	70	72	..	61	4,377	..
Victoria ..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	27	3,238
Queensland ..	13,308	17	..	18	361	..	4	723	..
South Australia ..	..	..	561	..	..	..	..	207	..
Western Australia	408	239	93	..	26	..	..	238	..
Tasmania ..	2,778	5	..	4	197	190	9	84	..
Nor. Territory ..	1,523	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Australia—									
Sept. Qtr. 1958	19,132	291	654	93	656	190	74	5,656	3,238
Sept. Qtr. 1957	13,418	281	560	90	469	398	83	5,582	2,865
NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER.									
1958 ..	53,225	819	1,903	247	1,608	764	200	15,317	8,562
1957 ..	41,657	809	1,805	241	1,300	1,066	217	14,800	8,318
YEARS.									
1957 ..	56,704	1,084	2,466	333	1,952	1,409	292	19,919	10,741
1956 ..	53,041	1,030	2,543	299	2,078	1,582	278	19,274	10,560
1955 ..	45,496	1,049	2,304	296	2,017	1,482	257	19,275	10,112
1954 ..	40,857	1,118	2,274	285	2,075	1,372	253	19,763	9,331
1953 ..	36,585	1,075	2,132	269	1,553	1,406	239	18,411	8,257

(a) In terms of WO<sub>3</sub> (tungstic oxide).

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Australia.

Year.	(1) Factories.	(2) Persons Em- ployed. (a)	(3) Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	(4) Value of Fuel, etc., Used.	(5) Value of Materials Used. (c)	(6) Value of Pro- duction. (d)	(7) Value of Output. (e)	(8) Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.
1938-39 ..	26,941	565,106	£'000. 106,743	£'000. 15,700	£'000. 281,303	£'000. 203,417	£'000. 500,420	£'000. 274,588
1953-54 ..	49,576	989,542	705,137	120,458	1,747,973	1,227,045	3,095,476	1,064,146
1954-55 ..	51,056	1,031,082	781,640	123,332	1,940,698	1,365,509	3,434,589	1,254,288
1955-56 ..	52,406	1,060,498	853,469	139,027	2,124,319	1,500,714	3,764,060	1,459,122
1956-57 ..	53,200	1,063,398	891,090	153,110	2,247,183	1,622,120	4,022,413	1,685,949
1957-58(f) ..	53,992	1,073,400	929,398	158,885	2,385,127	1,731,436	4,275,448	1,863,229

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

(c) Includes value of containers, packing, etc., tools replaced and repairs to

plant. (d) Value of production equals figures in column (7) less total of figures in columns (4) and (5).

(e) Value of goods produced including amounts received for work done. (f) Preliminary.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—States.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39.							
1. Factories ..	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Persons employed(a) ..	228,781	201,831	54,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) £'000	44,606	36,027	10,887	8,169	4,574	2,480	106,743
4. Value of fuel, etc., used ..	7,652	4,000	1,423	1,018	1,169	438	15,700
5. „ materials usedc.,	120,502	82,971	42,596	20,809	9,604	5,321	281,303
6. „ production(d) ..	90,266	65,996	19,302	13,678	8,776	5,399	203,417
7. „ output(e) ..	218,420	152,967	63,321	35,005	19,549	11,158	500,420
8. „ land & buildings,,	57,354	42,026	12,299	8,711	6,814	3,717	130,921
9. „ plant & mchnry,,	62,693	38,627	18,095	9,750	8,095	6,402	143,662

1956-57.

1. Factories ..	21,838	16,232	5,537	4,063	3,935	1,595	53,200
2. Persons employed(a) ..	436,369	355,204	103,426	91,981	48,748	27,670	1,063,398
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) £'000	378,332	296,608	77,780	77,818	36,916	23,636	891,090
4. Value of fuel, etc., used ..	71,445	40,381	13,130	14,130	9,225	4,799	153,110
5. „ materials usedc.,	948,393	707,730	244,973	184,209	104,969	56,909	2,247,183
6. „ production(d) ..	706,799	523,031	138,400	126,766	73,442	48,682	1,622,120
7. „ output(e) ..	1,726,637	1,276,142	396,503	325,105	187,636	110,390	4,022,413
8. „ land & buildings,,	303,981	252,024	58,654	55,343	35,520	56,473	761,995
9. „ plant & mchnry,,	363,310	290,785	89,904	71,847	63,272	44,836	923,954

1957-58 (PRELIMINARY).

1. Factories ..	22,270	16,430	5,528	4,168	3,941	1,655	53,992
2. Persons employed(a) ..	445,390	357,136	101,844	92,472	48,462	28,096	1,073,400
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) £'000	396,767	310,573	78,958	79,844	37,935	25,321	929,398
4. Value of fuel, etc., used ..	73,530	42,769	13,152	14,934	9,426	5,074	158,885
5. „ materials usedc.,	1,017,411	766,743	248,647	183,879	111,525	56,922	2,385,127
6. „ production(d) ..	758,301	568,750	143,958	133,285	75,312	51,830	1,731,436
7. „ output(e) ..	1,849,242	1,378,262	405,757	332,098	196,263	113,826	4,275,448
8. „ land & buildings,,	359,169	279,661	63,928	61,027	36,846	59,453	851,084
9. „ plant & mchnry,,	415,838	301,672	104,599	79,336	63,840	46,860	1,012,145

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

(c) Includes value of containers, packing, etc., tools replaced and repairs to

plant. (d) Value of production equals figures in line 7 less totals of figures in lines 4 and 5.

(e) Value of goods produced, including amounts received for work done.

**Manufacturing Industries—Value of Production(a)—Australia.**  
(£'000.)

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products .. .. .	5,146	31,504	34,543	37,495
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, etc. .. .. .	5,572	30,306	31,905	32,266
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils, Grease .. .. .	12,456	98,126	119,163	136,886
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Conveyances .. .. .	62,435	532,969	596,962	640,831
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate .. .. .	931	6,857	7,479	7,346
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods (not dress) .. .. .	10,918	78,394	81,800	91,469
VII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear) .. .. .	3,183	16,917	16,983	16,523
VIII. Clothing (except Knitted) .. .. .	16,551	98,417	102,468	105,518
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco .. .. .	41,601	186,539	197,798	214,430
X. Sawmills, Joinery, Boxes, etc., Wood Turning and Carving .. .. .	9,461	74,237	78,493	79,629
XI. Furniture of Wood, Bedding, etc. .. .. .	4,200	23,657	24,896	26,330
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, etc. .. .. .	14,559	90,540	99,050	108,710
XIII. Rubber .. .. .	2,761	22,725	25,894	28,530
XIV. Musical Instruments .. .. .	136	2,065	2,616	3,657
XV. Miscellaneous Products .. .. .	2,098	25,585	28,170	31,884
XVI. Heat, Light and Power .. .. .	11,409	46,671	52,491	60,616
Total .. .. .	203,417	1,365,509	1,500,714	1,622,120

(a) See note (d) to previous table.

NOTE.—Preliminary figure for 1957-58 is £1,731,436,000. Class details are not yet available.

**Manufacturing Industries—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid per Employee(a)**  
(£.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1953-54—Males ..	844.05	833.71	733.34	824.49	754.20	791.86	820.98
Females	499.19	510.96	418.23	465.95	421.93	477.84	493.10
1954-55—Males ..	906.61	891.40	773.47	883.13	797.80	833.05	877.84
Females	514.94	529.63	431.68	477.11	434.21	487.12	509.56
1955-56—Males ..	967.45	955.00	802.89	925.47	839.62	904.78	933.92
Females	540.06	547.43	445.22	496.84	449.61	500.06	530.23
1956-57—Males ..	1010.17	981.79	857.46	953.41	856.63	970.12	970.91
Females	569.11	578.14	464.71	507.54	467.29	536.99	557.95
1957-58(b)—Males	1035.67	1023.61	882.84	970.31	884.66	1017.99	1002.05
Females	587.41	597.81	487.90	536.48	479.14	569.66	578.35

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

(b) Preliminary.

**Manufacturing Industries—Average Number of Males and Females Employed(a)  
over whole Year, 1957-58 (Preliminary).**

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males .. .. .	336,840	259,392	84,871	75,909	42,039	23,093	822,144
Females .. .. .	108,550	97,744	16,973	16,563	6,423	5,003	251,256
Masculinity(b) ..	310	265	500	458	655	462	327

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Number of males per 100 females.

## PRODUCTION OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES—AUSTRALIA.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	1938-39.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58. (a)	
Beer.. ..	Mill. gal.	89	209	222	227	221	(b) 233	
Biscuits .. ..	Mill. lb.	73.7	150.5	150.8	158.6	162.5	165.7	
Blankets .. ..	Thousand	1,147	1,202	1,532	1,657	1,678	1,853	
Boots, Shoes and Sandals .. ..	'000 pair	13,967	20,476	19,881	19,816	20,861	21,298	
Bricks, Clay .. ..	Million	721	802	839	840	805	883	
Cement Building Sheets .. ..	Mill. sq. yds.	9.5	26.1	28.1	26.7	25.4	26.3	
Cement, Portland .. ..	'000 tons	868	1,700	1,920	2,035	2,173	2,320	
Cloth, Woven, Woollen(c) .. ..	Mill sq. yds.	31.8	35.0	31.1	30.3	32.8	32.1	
Coal—Black .. ..	'000 tons	12,608	19,424	19,352	19,033	19,700	20,362	
Brown .. ..	" "	3,663	8,731	9,668	10,383	10,772	10,866	
Confectionery—Chocolate .. ..	Mill. lb.	43.5	62.6	57.0	62.4	68.8	62.5	
Other .. ..	" "	58.1	76.9	81.5	83.1	87.4	88.7	
Copper, Refined(d) .. ..	'000 tons	17.5	20.9	30.4	24.5	34.5	35.8	
Electricity .. ..	Mill. kWh	4,688	13,707	15,172	16,675	18,289	19,793	
Electric Motors .. ..	Thousand	31.7	972.9	1,183.1	1,116.8	954.3	1,130.8	
Engines, Internal Combustion—								
Marine(e) .. ..	Number	2,957	1,357	1,380	1,246	1,780	2,956	
Other(f) .. ..	" "	2,889	27,467	48,275	103,342	183,151	188,682	
Fibrous Plaster Sheets .. ..	'000 sq. yds.	7,605	16,185	17,784	18,125	16,257	16,972	
Flour, Wheaten .. ..	'000 short tons	1,373	1,609	1,553	1,571	1,632	1,351	
Fruit, Preserved(g) .. ..	Mill. lb.	150.7	338.6	319.2	304.3	289.5	340.9	
Gas(h) .. ..	Mill. cub. ft.	21,472	42,100	43,465	44,573	46,653	48,284	
Gold (Mine Production) .. ..	'000 fine oz.	1,621	1,111	1,080	1,032	1,062	1,084	
Hosiery—Men's and Boys' .. ..	'000 doz. pr.	1,102	1,895	1,664	1,560	5,214	4,810	
Women's and Girls' .. ..	" " "	2,747	3,363	3,549	3,367			
Children's .. ..	" " "							
Ice Cream .. ..	'000 gal.	4,262	13,678	14,796	16,018	15,647	16,440	
Iron and Steel(i)—Pig Iron .. ..	'000 tons	1,105	1,827	1,869	1,911	2,098	2,284	
Ingot Steel .. ..	" "	1,170	2,117	2,209	2,320	2,774	3,106	
Jam .. ..	" "	37.9	38.3	36.5	37.5	41.2	48.1	
Lacquers .. ..	'000 gal.	576	1,307	1,476	1,499	1,451	1,567	
Lead(j) .. ..	'000 tons	233	236	235	221	240	257	
Malt, Barley and Wheaten .. ..	'000 bush.	3,733	7,253	7,663	7,928	8,060	8,367	
Margarine—Table .. ..	'000 lb.	7,448	21,866	21,972	26,552	38,632	35,424	
Other .. ..	" "	31,221	49,939	49,171	43,443	44,576	47,007	
Meat, Canned(k) .. ..	'000 tons	14.4	71.9	73.8	70.5	69.1	77.7	
Newsprint .. ..	" "	" "	60.4	73.6	79.0	79.6	81.1	
Paints, Ready Mixed and Enamels .. ..	'000 gal.	2,690	7,879	9,739	10,679	10,873	11,164	
Refrigerators, Domestic .. ..	Thousand	29.5	274.5	280.6	247.4	195.5	193.7	
Silver, Refined .. ..	'000 fine oz.	9,455	8,360	7,627	8,136	8,725	8,459	
Slippers .. ..	'000 pr.	7,704	8,632	7,324	7,977	8,291	9,153	
Soap .. ..	'000 cwt.	998	1,225	1,263	1,270	1,232	1,304	
Stoves, Cooking(l) Electric (m) .. ..	Thousand	(n)	37.2	47.1	47.8	51.4	55.4	
Gas .. ..	" "	46.7	43.0	58.8	57.1	54.6	56.3	
Solid Fuel .. ..	" "	54.5	50.4	49.8	47.3	46.0	45.0	
Sugar, Refined .. ..	'000 tons	339	449	482	483	480	515	
Sulphate of Ammonia .. ..	" "	24.3	70.8	78.4	75.3	110.9	118.7	
Sulphuric Acid (100%) .. ..	" "	489	732	835	896	879	989	
Superphosphate .. ..	" "	1,199	1,771	1,961	2,126	1,975	2,220	
Tiles, Roofing—Terracotta .. ..	Million	39.7	63.8	63.9	64.7	57.7	59.4	
Cement .. ..	" "	4.5	44.7	53.7	53.8	44.6	48.3	
Timber, Sawn Native(o) .. ..	Mill. sup. ft.	717	1,400	1,449	1,450	1,419	1,400	
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes .. ..	Mill. lb.	23.3	41.8	44.5	46.1	49.5	50.4	
Vegetables, Preserved(p) .. ..	" "	10.3	40.3	51.1	77.8	98.4	86.7	
Wool, Scoured .. ..	" "	105	137	136	145	166	154	
Wool Tops .. ..	" "	25.2	32.8	30.9	35.6	42.7	39.4	
Yarn, Woollen and Worsted .. ..	" "	32.5	45.9	42.6	43.2	47.7	45.9	
Zinc, Refined .. ..	'000 tons	69.8	99.2	100.5	103.9	106.5	115.1	

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes waste beer. (c) Includes wool in admixture with other fibres. (d) Excludes copper refined from imported blister copper. (e) Other than Diesel type. (f) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor and aeroplane. (g) Includes all types of preserved apples. (h) Made in gas-works only. (i) Year ended 31st May. (j) Includes lead content of lead bullion produced for export. (k) Excludes canned rabbit and poultry. (l) Domestic. (m) Excludes stovettes, cookers, etc. (n) Figures prior to 1948-49 not available on a comparable basis. (o) Includes sawn sleepers. (p) Includes preserved tomatoes.

## ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION(a)—AUSTRALIA.

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

Industry.	1938-39. (b)	1951-52. (b)	1952-53. (c)	1953-54. (d)	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION. (£'000.)							
Agriculture .. ..	41,679	246,685	276,398	268,460	243,919	279,455	254,861
Pastoral(e) .. ..	63,820	400,493	493,745	491,716	461,464	446,780	597,681
Dairying .. ..	33,782	103,776	135,745	136,956	135,798	155,243	141,211
Poultry .. ..	7,302	31,554	35,213	34,782	29,787	30,185	28,402
Bee-farming(f) ..	123	774	1,066	1,426	1,393	1,751	2,254
Total Rural .. ..	146,706	783,282	942,167	933,340	872,366	913,414	1,024,409
Trapping(f) .. ..	1,422	6,713	5,595	5,074	4,961	6,047	6,013
Forestry(f) .. ..	7,811	37,905	40,064	41,720	44,047	50,059	52,099
Fishing and Whaling(f)	1,654	5,729	6,897	7,741	8,727	8,884	10,503
Mining and Quarrying	27,375	97,199	109,671	104,875	118,087	132,508	139,977
Total Non-Rural ..	38,262	147,546	162,227	159,410	175,822	197,498	208,595
Total All Primary ..	184,968	930,828	1,104,394	1,092,750	1,048,188	1,110,912	1,233,004
Factories .. ..	203,417	1,024,867	1,082,862	1,227,045	1,365,509	1,500,714	1,622,120
Total All Industries	388,385	1,955,695	2,187,256	2,319,795	2,413,697	2,611,626	2,855,124

## NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agriculture .. ..	6 0 6	29 1 3	31 16 1	30 6 4	28 16 8	29 19 11	26 14 7
Pastoral(e) .. ..	9 4 7	47 3 8	56 16 2	55 10 7	50 15 4	47 19 2	62 13 8
Dairying .. ..	4 17 9	12 4 6	15 12 4	15 9 4	14 18 9	16 13 4	14 16 2
Poultry .. ..	1 1 1	3 14 4	4 1 1	3 18 7	3 5 6	3 4 10	2 19 7
Bee-farming(f) ..	0 0 4	0 1 10	0 2 5	0 3 2	0 3 1	0 3 9	0 4 9
Total Rural .. ..	21 4 3	92 5 7	108 8 1	105 8 0	95 19 4	98 1 0	107 8 9
Trapping(f) .. ..	0 4 1	0 15 10	0 12 11	0 11 6	0 10 11	0 13 0	0 12 7
Forestry(f) .. ..	1 2 7	4 9 3	4 12 2	4 14 3	4 16 11	5 7 5	5 9 3
Fishing and Whaling(f)	0 4 10	0 13 6	0 15 11	0 17 6	0 19 2	0 19 1	1 2 0
Mining and Quarrying	3 19 2	11 9 0	12 12 4	11 16 10	12 19 10	14 4 6	14 13 8
Total Non-Rural ..	5 10 8	17 7 7	18 13 4	18 0 1	19 6 10	21 4 0	21 17 6
Total All Primary ..	26 14 11	109 13 2	127 1 5	123 8 1	115 6 2	119 5 0	129 6 3
Factories .. ..	29 8 4	120 14 10	124 11 11	138 11 5	150 4 4	161 1 11	170 2 6
Total All Industries	56 3 3	230 8 0	251 13 4	261 19 6	265 10 6	280 6 11	299 8 9

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty, relief, etc. (b) Excludes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory for Mining and Quarrying only. (d) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory for Mining and Quarrying only. (e) Distributions of profits from the 1939-45 War-time Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded. (f) Local value.

**ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION, (a) 1956-57.**

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

Industry.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION. (£'000.)							
Agriculture .. ..	48,425	63,802	60,127	49,688	24,640	7,978	254,861
Pastoral(c) .. ..	281,674	129,883	112,566	62,093	47,343	10,666	597,681
Dairying .. ..	45,355	47,933	24,837	12,511	3,645	6,752	141,211
Poultry .. ..	11,592	12,506	838	1,597	697	1,015	28,402
Bee-farming(d) ..	905	506	161	388	263	24	2,254
Total Rural .. ..	337,951	254,630	198,529	126,277	76,593	26,435	1,024,409
Trapping(d) .. ..	1,602	3,333	181	638	111	144	6,013
Forestry(d) .. ..	16,758	12,297	9,487	4,051	4,779	4,523	52,099
Fishing and Whaling(d)	2,939	1,178	1,575	1,295	2,737	609	10,506
Mining and Quarrying ..	72,048	9,457	24,148	9,487	14,350	8,298	139,977
Total Non-rural ..	93,347	26,265	35,391	15,471	21,977	13,574	208,595
Total All Primary ..	431,298	280,895	233,920	141,748	98,570	40,009	1,233,004
Factories .. ..	706,799	528,031	138,400	126,766	73,442	48,682	1,622,120
Total All Industries ..	1,138,097	808,926	372,320	268,514	172,012	88,691	2,855,124

## NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION. (£ s. d.)

Agriculture .. ..	13 9 11	24 3 4	43 11 1	57 13 8	35 19 11	24 9 3	26 14 7
Pastoral(c) .. ..	64 11 4	49 3 11	81 10 10	72 1 9	69 3 3	32 14 1	62 13 8
Dairying .. ..	12 12 10	18 3 1	17 19 10	14 10 6	5 6 6	20 14 0	14 16 2
Poultry .. ..	3 4 7	4 14 9	0 12 2	1 17 1	1 0 4	3 2 3	2 19 7
Bee-farming(d) ..	0 5 1	0 3 10	0 2 4	0 9 0	0 7 10	0 1 6	0 4 9
Total Rural .. ..	94 3 9	96 8 11	143 16 3	146 12 0	111 17 10	81 1 1	107 8 9
Trapping(d) .. ..	0 8 11	1 5 3	0 2 7	0 14 10	0 3 3	0 8 10	0 12 7
Forestry(d) .. ..	4 13 5	4 13 2	6 17 6	4 14 1	6 19 8	13 17 4	5 9 3
Fishing and Whaling(d)	0 16 5	0 8 11	1 2 10	1 10 1	4 0 0	1 17 4	1 2 0
Mining and Quarrying ..	20 1 7	3 11 8	17 9 10	11 0 3	20 19 3	25 8 11	14 13 8
Total Non-Rural ..	26 0 4	9 19 0	25 12 9	17 19 3	32 2 2	41 12 5	21 17 6
Total All Primary ..	120 4 1	106 7 11	169 9 0	164 11 3	144 0 0	122 13 6	129 6 3
Factories .. ..	196 19 9	200 0 1	100 5 1	147 3 4	107 5 9	149 5 5	170 2 6
Total All Industries ..	317 3 10	306 8 0	269 14 1	311 14 7	251 5 9	271 18 11	299 8 9

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty, relief, etc. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Distributions of profits from the War-time Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded. (d) Local value.

**INDEXES OF QUANTUM(a) OF FARM PRODUCTION.**

(Base : Average 1936-37 to 1938-39=100.)

Year.	Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1952-53 .. ..	121	126	108	121	131	118
1953-54 .. ..	129	123	107	122	128	120
1954-55 .. ..	120	127	117	123	132	120
1955-56 .. ..	134	136	120	131	146	127
1956-57 .. ..	121	148	117	131	164	121
1957-58(b) ..	109	142	113	123	148	116

(a) Indexes of value at constant prices, i.e. quantities revalued at average unit values of base years (1936-37 to 1938-39). (b) Subject to revision.

## SECTION III.—BUILDING.

## NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED, SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DEC., 1958.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Material of Outer Walls.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T. (a)	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	2,898	5,356	360	3,488	1,915	295	60	624	14,996
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	4,738	6,377	2,845	56	29	796	1	33	14,880
Fibro Cement ..	6,606	667	831	532	1,094	49	118	1	9,898
Other ..	11	291	54	3	2	..	2	..	363
Total ..	14,253	12,691	4,090	4,079	3,040	1,140	181	663	40,137

(a) Includes flats.

## NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T. (a)	A.C.T.	Aust.
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## COMMENCED.

1953-54 ..	(b)27,590	20,915	8,513	6,792	7,608	2,665	(c)	355	(b)74,438
1954-55 ..	24,348	22,674	7,784	7,190	8,575	2,867	249	640	74,327
1955-56 ..	23,506	21,245	7,173	8,377	6,336	2,490	341	499	69,967
1956-57 ..	23,477	19,649	7,572	6,832	5,565	2,591	251	509	66,446
1957-58 ..	24,177	21,933	7,050	6,951	5,328	2,378	311	1,139	69,267
Six months ended—									
December, 1957..	12,023	10,286	3,484	3,621	2,766	1,194	111	629	34,114
December, 1958..	13,212	11,517	3,883	3,811	2,561	1,263	147	568	36,962

## COMPLETED.

1953-54 ..	26,513	21,593	8,961	7,522	7,627	2,630	(c)	552	75,398
1954-55 ..	28,882	23,839	7,925	7,323	8,792	2,480	199	398	79,838
1955-56 ..	26,369	22,652	7,396	7,721	7,760	2,721	312	605	75,586
1956-57 ..	22,267	20,185	7,217	7,193	5,030	2,759	328	561	65,540
1957-58 ..	25,114	21,367	7,357	7,606	6,196	2,566	275	698	71,179
Six months ended—									
December, 1957..	12,144	10,611	3,817	3,980	3,493	1,340	147	341	35,873
December, 1958..	14,253	12,691	4,090	4,079	3,040	1,140	181	663	40,137

## UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1953-54 ..	(b)24,670	20,995	3,470	5,750	5,932	2,149	(c)	449	(b)63,415
1954-55 ..	20,136	19,827	3,329	5,602	5,715	2,536	211	691	58,047
1955-56 ..	17,273	18,399	3,106	6,252	4,284	2,305	240	585	52,444
1956-57 ..	18,488	17,863	3,461	5,854	4,819	2,137	163	533	53,313
1957-58 ..	17,546	18,429	3,154	5,199	3,951	1,949	199	974	51,401
Six months ended—									
December, 1957..	18,362	17,538	3,128	5,495	4,092	1,991	127	821	51,554
December, 1958..	16,505	17,255	2,947	4,931	3,472	2,072	165	879	48,226

(a) Includes flats.

(b) Partly estimated.

(c) Not available.

## NUMBER OF NEW FLATS COMPLETED.(a)

(INDIVIDUAL FLATS.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1953-54 ..	1,011	689	156	99	212	13	(b)	..	2,180
1954-55 ..	701	781	309	105	316	48	(c)	12	2,272
1955-56 ..	776	1,273	200	86	584	49	(c)	..	2,968
1956-57 ..	861	897	174	230	365	105	(c)	264	2,896
1957-58 ..	1,331	1,104	331	372	171	41	(c)	56	3,406
Six months ended—									
December, 1957..	598	609	192	174	93	31	(c)	4	1,701
December, 1958(d)	947	771	300	364	160	69	(c)	168	2,779

(a) Figures are additional to numbers of houses shown above. Each flat is counted as a separate unit, and the numbers shown relate to individual flats. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. (b) Not available. (c) Included with houses. (d) In this period 3,417 flats were commenced, and 3,872 flats were under construction at the end of the period in Australia.

## VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED, SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DEC., 1958.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Kind of Building.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses ..	44,377	42,152	11,188	13,169	9,021	3,333	775	3,168	127,183
Flats ..	2,693	2,012	571	893	329	185	(a)	1,005	7,688
Shops ..	3,716	2,646	967	505	402	175	(b)	(b)	8,484
Business Premises—									
Office ..	6,741	5,348	1,903	842	313	457	(b)	(b)	16,689
Other ..	4,401	2,821	962	1,465	715	549	30	66	11,009
Factories ..	8,954	7,478	1,884	1,117	980	467	30	76	20,986
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc. ..	1,562	814	1,498	308	88	22	275	..	4,567
Educational ..	3,507	1,616	1,461	1,102	1,419	304	32	342	9,783
Religious ..	584	1,171	331	214	227	144	..	..	2,671
Health ..	2,116	2,550	1,102	3,615	3,220	(b)	..	(b)	12,710
Entertainment and Recreation	2,476	855	311	218	456	(b)	(b)	48	4,480
Miscellaneous ..	1,508	1,141	1,232	339	357	384	80	94	5,135
Total ..	82,635	70,604	23,410	23,787	17,527	6,223	1,290	5,909	231,385

(a) Included with houses.

(b) Not available for publication.

## VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
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## COMMENCED.

1953-54 ..	a 109,103	89,689	27,839	25,649	26,369	9,224	(b)	2,856	a 290,729
1954-55 ..	121,351	102,693	32,073	29,946	35,458	10,836	1,605	5,932	339,894
1955-56 ..	133,257	121,416	35,024	43,202	26,972	9,889	2,800	4,708	376,768
1956-57 ..	135,798	109,334	37,841	31,888	22,241	14,138	1,765	5,959	358,994
1957-58 ..	137,189	122,133	37,128	35,659	25,065	12,735	2,259	8,588	380,756
Six months ended—									
December, 1957 ..	69,933	52,903	18,423	17,217	13,357	5,821	756	4,645	183,055
December, 1958 ..	78,220	63,895	18,485	21,002	13,415	6,855	1,061	4,422	207,355

## COMPLETED.

1953-54 ..	101,545	86,720	25,913	26,108	25,785	9,692	(b)	3,878	279,641
1954-55 ..	110,694	98,932	28,318	27,081	34,096	10,649	1,653	2,943	314,366
1955-56 ..	124,138	111,594	30,519	33,717	33,678	12,798	1,935	4,287	352,666
1956-57 ..	133,094	114,830	35,383	33,997	23,424	12,609	2,285	5,940	361,562
1957-58 ..	169,240	131,756	38,043	38,047	27,262	12,840	2,110	5,841	425,139
Six months ended—									
December, 1957 ..	85,547	65,378	20,078	19,190	14,341	6,504	1,200	3,154	215,392
December, 1958 ..	82,635	70,604	23,410	23,787	17,527	6,223	1,290	5,909	231,385

## UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1953-54 ..	a 104,895	103,081	19,699	23,730	25,701	11,782	(b)	7,249	a 296,137
1954-55 ..	117,498	112,055	23,446	26,854	29,102	12,399	1,573	10,643	333,570
1955-56 ..	132,693	128,525	28,210	36,996	25,550	9,864	1,967	11,240	375,045
1956-57 ..	138,792	127,943	31,332	36,792	26,217	12,085	1,555	11,520	386,236
1957-58 ..	113,548	122,750	30,968	35,337	24,587	11,946	1,745	14,589	355,470
Six months ended—									
December, 1957 ..	127,670	117,720	30,189	35,439	25,637	11,325	1,166	13,066	362,212
December, 1958 ..	112,353	118,135	26,910	32,823	20,754	12,651	1,830	13,304	338,760

(a) Partly estimated.

(b) Not available.

## SECTION IV.—OVERSEA TRADE.

## OVERSEA TRADE—STATES.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

State or Territory.	1938-39.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.
IMPORTS.					
New South Wales .. .. .	53,088	346,096	336,976	314,383	352,653
Victoria .. .. .	40,463	297,494	299,340	254,946	282,713
Queensland .. .. .	9,070	63,883	61,738	48,884	49,498
South Australia .. .. .	6,670	64,804	62,752	45,407	47,102
Western Australia .. .. .	6,137	50,648	46,482	40,212	45,888
Tasmania .. .. .	1,292	15,129	12,641	14,117	12,944
Northern Territory .. .. .	34	688	1,155	1,004	1,059
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	..	..	4	38	53
Australia .. .. .	116,754	843,742	821,088	718,991	791,940
EXPORTS (a)					
New South Wales .. .. .	45,903	220,657	225,650	292,432	230,532
Victoria .. .. .	30,819	216,572	209,396	255,752	219,578
Queensland .. .. .	28,652	154,483	152,145	190,384	156,493
South Australia .. .. .	14,841	95,079	97,666	122,924	99,882
Western Australia .. .. .	17,070	68,507	76,143	108,299	89,758
Tasmania .. .. .	3,198	18,762	20,305	22,503	22,253
Northern Territory .. .. .	13	104	559	612	655
Australia .. .. .	140,496	774,164	781,864	992,006	819,151

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

## OVERSEA TRADE—AUSTRALIA.

(f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.
1938-39 ..	£A'000 257,250	£A'000 116,754	£A'000 135,476	£A'000 5,020	£A'000 140,496	£ 37.1	£ 16.8	£ 19.6	£ 0.7	£ 20.3
1953-54 ..	1,509,941	681,609	820,057	8,275	828,332	169.6	76.6	92.1	0.9	93.0
1954-55 ..	1,617,906	843,742	765,883	8,281	774,164	178.0	92.8	84.3	0.9	85.2
1955-56 ..	1,602,952	821,088	768,090	13,774	781,864	172.0	88.1	82.4	1.5	83.9
1956-57 ..	1,712,230	718,991	979,244	13,662	992,906	179.6	75.4	102.3	1.4	104.2
1957-58 ..	1,611,091	791,940	804,358	14,793	819,151	163.2	81.3	82.5	1.5	84.0
Six months ended—										
Dec., 1957 ..	853,320	394,923	450,872	7,525	458,397	88.06	40.75	46.53	0.78	47.31
Dec., 1958 (b)	779,061	398,875	371,155	9,031	380,186	78.72	40.30	37.50	0.92	38.42

(a) Excludes the value of stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships and aircraft. The values of ships and aircraft stores in £A'000 were: 1938-39, £2,106; 1953-54, £10,266; 1954-55, £13,181; 1955-56, £13,539; 1956-57, £14,208 and 1957-58, £12,798.

(b) Preliminary.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-).		
	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
1938-39 .. .. .	113,217	3,537	116,754	121,533	18,963	140,496	+8,316	+15,426	+23,742
1953-54 .. .. .	673,590	3,019	681,609	811,866	16,466	828,332	+133,276	+13,447	+146,723
1954-55 .. .. .	840,972	2,770	843,742	758,041	16,123	774,164	-82,931	+13,353	-69,578
1955-56 .. .. .	818,293	2,795	821,088	770,837	11,027	781,864	-47,456	+8,232	-39,224
1956-57 .. .. .	716,682	2,309	718,991	972,998	19,908	992,906	+256,316	+17,599	+273,915
1957-58 .. .. .	789,261	2,679	791,940	811,508	7,643	819,151	+22,246	+4,965	+27,211
Six months ended—									
December, 1957 ..	393,461	1,462	394,923	451,822	6,575	458,397	+58,361	+5,113	+63,474
December, 1958(a)	397,550	1,325	398,875	377,171	3,015	380,186	-20,379	+1,690	-18,689

(a) Preliminary.

**IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.**  
(£A '000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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OVERSEA TRADE.

Statistical Class.	United Kingdom.	Australian Territories.	Borneo (British).	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	South Africa, Union of.	Arabian States.	Belgium-Luxemburg.	Czechoslovakia.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	603	..	..	317	..	9	..	444	372	..	..	5
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ; non-alcoholic beverages ..	325	1,006	79	273	5,061	902	82	64	25	6	2	2
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	1,021	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
4. Tobacco ..	224	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	11	..	13	..
5. Live animals ..	156	..	..	..	..	..	15	48	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances, not foodstuffs ..	237	33	..	4	1	279	..	522	53	..	8	1
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres ..	847	1,143	1	44	146	412	61	324	178	..	53	..
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	19,181	..	6	62	4	7,966	1	12	78	..	972	488
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	649	96	5,242	..	4	1,683	..	156	318	14,563	19	..
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	1,758	..	..	83	..	..	..	..	2	..	8	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	300	..	..	994	14	42	..	14	617	..	12	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	85,472	15	..	4,914	..	10	592	100	363	1	819	179
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,412	595	..	320	33	26	3,751	29	..	..	2	4
14. Wood and wicker ..	194	593	1,080	1,793	..	3	856	753	..	..	1	16
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	3,979	..	..	53	..	1	..	1	..	..	640	193
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	11,203	..	..	2,418	..	66	2	3,464	1	..	84	106
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	1,698	..	..	..	6	23	1	1	219	..	129	63
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	2,939	2	..	57	..	1	2	2	8	..	30	20
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	9,766	1,488	..	177	6	4	..	43	154	..	79	6
20. Miscellaneous ..	15,060	189	12	453	147	130	93	272	179	2	188	87
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie	1	383	..	..	..	..	..	142	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1958 ..	157,025	5,543	6,420	11,975	5,422	11,537	5,458	6,391	2,579	14,572	3,059	1,171
December, 1957 ..	164,408	4,576	6,189	11,456	4,418	13,445	5,913	6,712	3,175	14,618	2,855	1,420
Year 1957-58 ..	325,007	8,798	13,222	23,046	8,772	23,416	10,708	12,764	6,294	29,289	6,543	2,617
" 1956-57 ..	296,251	8,455	15,224	22,157	9,863	24,509	10,875	11,979	3,635	23,449	7,462	2,442
" 1955-56 ..	355,912	8,099	9,801	23,806	8,032	23,469	16,230	5,531	4,001	23,607	11,579	2,728
" 1954-55 ..	378,069	6,943	15,521	28,840	19,516	26,057	12,797	8,042	4,349	27,851	12,234	2,331
" 1953-54 ..	331,701	6,251	8,439	18,742	13,490	18,475	8,721	6,854	3,875	27,925	7,063	2,147
" 1938-39 ..	46,094	3,086	215	8,806	957	3,272	1,029	2,087	291	756	1,122	572

(a) Preliminary.

## Imports into Australia of the Produce or Manufacture of the Undermentioned Countries—continued.

(\$A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Statistical Class.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia.	Iran.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Sweden.	Switzer- land.	United States of America.	Other Countries.	Total All Countries.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	4	80	..	..	72	686	29	7	14	255	896	3,793
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	31	39	2,887	..	214	15	311	10	11	4	2,003	13,352
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	113	11	..	..	20	1	7	..	..	1	35	1,211
4. Tobacco .. ..	1	9	..	..	..	..	135	..	..	4,963	2,808	8,178
5. Live animals .. ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	17	237
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs .. ..	19	5	5	..	17	4	2	1	..	46	610	1,847
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres .. ..	33	420	352	20	137	58	70	50	17	3,203	2,564	10,133
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	1,111	1,901	5	5	1,531	8,530	1,170	25	1,539	246	4,366	49,199
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	104	69	13,667	9,230	182	51	104	6	3	2,707	3,176	52,009
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	14	250	..	..	27	137	44	..	327	536	36	3,222
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons .. ..	7	62	88	..	52	64	22	31	2	833	618	3,772
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery .. ..	2,492	10,542	..	..	1,391	1,264	2,069	2,650	1,418	27,334	1,340	142,965
13. Rubber and leather and manu- factures thereof .. ..	128	74	..	..	170	33	9	10	9	1,968	61	8,634
14. Wood and wicker .. ..	46	79	68	..	22	142	8	249	9	1,441	982	8,335
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	253	408	..	..	81	937	26	58	7	527	381	7,545
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures and stationery ..	52	487	..	..	124	215	340	2,593	34	1,469	2,047	24,705
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces .. ..	76	850	..	..	101	985	40	13	885	8	356	5,454
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments .. ..	60	1,034	..	..	86	328	103	20	158	1,178	139	6,167
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	522	2,239	..	..	192	590	607	87	835	2,204	1,155	20,096
20. Miscellaneous .. ..	279	1,876	165	2	401	728	459	292	192	3,529	1,961	26,696
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	799	1,325
Six months ended—												
December, 1958 .. ..	5,346	20,435	17,237	9,257	4,820	14,708	5,555	6,102	5,461	52,452	26,350	398,875
December, 1957 .. ..	4,803	19,694	13,560	8,215	5,582	10,483	5,543	6,225	5,332	52,420	23,881	394,923
Year 1957-58 .. ..	10,333	41,516	28,089	18,887	10,768	23,815	11,073	11,700	10,176	104,453	50,654	791,940
„ 1956-57 .. ..	9,297	31,079	26,356	17,804	9,112	12,884	10,555	11,510	8,219	95,544	50,330	718,991
„ 1955-56 .. ..	15,626	34,998	22,401	22,819	11,821	22,592	13,233	12,048	10,596	98,790	55,269	821,088
„ 1954-55 .. ..	14,689	30,838	22,529	5,934	11,740	18,422	13,081	13,516	10,582	102,157	62,104	843,742
„ 1953-54 .. ..	11,793	21,365	21,972	47	11,182	6,545	9,618	10,230	9,492	73,254	52,928	681,609
„ 1938-39 .. ..	1,172	(b) 4,710	(c) 8,117	956	781	4,666	799	1,079	1,072	16,699	6,106	(d) 116,754

(a) Preliminary.

(b) Pre-war Germany.

(c) Pre-war Netherlands East Indies.

(d) Includes outside packages not distributed according to countries.

OVERSEA TRADE.

## EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Statistical Class.	United Kingdom.	Australian Territories.	Canada.	Ceylon.	Hong Kong.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	South Africa, Union of.	Belgium-Luxemburg.	Czechoslovakia.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	45,344	925	1,596	1,164	522	256	2,388	83	1,929	13	159	..
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	27,896	1,126	5,319	799	2,190	440	1,975	6,454	1,193	29	117	..
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	424	155	169	1	9	5	24	90	18	1	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	..	117	..	2	..	1	3	84	7	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	13	47	..	2	12	..	40	34	202	2	1	..
6. Animal substances, not foodstuffs ..	36,442	7	529	..	552	1,306	8	287	1	177	8,163	2,311
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres ..	68	5	3	..	2	..	1	111	..	9	4	..
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	148	174	19	1	6	3	9	306	3	7	2	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	808	261	..	501	19	118	304	4,388	137	522	46	..
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	9	131	10	1	16	8	8	216	11	1	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	1,690	17	1	2	1	13	8	247	1	16	1,067	12
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	8,017	2,116	85	152	336	2,675	959	10,930	463	883	1,438	1
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,257	148	7	34	231	12	41	202	16	71	1	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	172	62	16	6	8	708	3	756	1	163	4	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	8	123	4	..	1	2	5	218	..	4	..	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	173	106	1	12	8	..	17	890	22	24	..	..
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	32	18	6	8	4	..	1	58	23	28	..	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	136	68	1	..	1	3	3	438	2	21	7	..
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	284	346	56	18	53	25	160	1,407	34	37	..	..
20. Miscellaneous ..	1,466	2,388	28	25	224	177	1,653	1,403	703	43	2	9
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie	135	26	14	..	2,016	..	..	38	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1958 ..	124,522	8,366	7,864	2,728	6,211	5,752	7,610	28,640	4,766	2,051	11,011	2,333
December, 1957 ..	124,714	7,991	8,738	3,697	9,573	6,975	5,806	28,570	6,396	2,912	15,385	3,849
Year 1957-58 ..	221,421	16,073	14,133	5,939	12,575	11,689	12,266	55,455	12,685	5,186	28,111	6,756
" 1956-57 ..	277,476	16,013	10,631	10,582	23,432	28,580	9,088	51,002	14,129	2,784	35,039	7,558
" 1955-56 ..	257,414	15,102	10,911	8,687	14,053	12,159	9,337	40,928	12,100	2,438	26,173	4,775
" 1954-55 ..	285,606	12,979	10,503	8,723	17,315	19,428	8,410	37,794	11,600	2,869	31,252	5,078
" 1953-54 ..	300,765	12,416	11,037	11,847	7,773	14,293	9,143	33,469	11,288	3,588	32,663	3,788
" 1938-39 ..	68,716	1,176	1,994	1,327	475	1,965	1,911	6,682	(b)	813	5,547	378

(a) Preliminary. (b) Included with Federation of Malaya.

**Exports from Australia to the Undermentioned Countries—continued.**

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Statistical Class.	China. (Mainland)	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Poland.	Sweden.	United States of America.	Other Countries.	Total, All Countries.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.(a)												
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	45	5	506	92	389	135	218	..	3	4,937	5,754	66,463
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	236	14	2,088	214	178	8,253	589	..	99	75	7,901	67,185
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	2	208	1,110
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	93	307
5. Live animals ..	..	..	1	1	..	55	1	..	..	55	154	620
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	3,457	21,898	7,718	..	11,754	33,697	738	4,813	327	6,420	11,001	151,606
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; and synthetic fibres ..	..	2	76	6	5	10	17	..	2	200	31	552
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	10	2	17	..	131	63	12	8	2	163	170	1,256
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	9	158	6	151	383	187	31	1	44	2,998	11,072
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	..	4	18	..	..	1	..	..	1	103	538
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	108	300	196	3	151	2,118	300	14	220	2,681	1,141	10,307
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	3,864	98	169	201	45	1,555	219	..	46	5,005	3,678	42,935
13. Rubber and leather and manu- factures thereof ..	36	..	6	4	9	10	4	..	15	14	159	2,277
14. Wood and wicker ..	4	1	27	..	..	15	7	..	..	38	452	2,443
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	..	22	86	483
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufact- ures and stationery ..	..	..	2	7	6	1	..	..	..	23	113	1,405
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	..	1	42	..	1	108	5	..	..	56	37	428
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	..	1	10	1	..	7	1	..	2	158	68	928
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc.	3	1	9	28	4	247	30	..	1	650	485	3,878
20. Miscellaneous ..	3	22	47	46	61	137	85	1	83	515	2,257	11,378
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	778	3,015
Six months ended—												
December, 1958 ..	7,766	22,354	11,076	628	12,894	46,797	2,415	4,867	801	21,067	37,667	380,186
December, 1957 ..	5,894	44,178	18,816	2,691	25,818	58,247	2,275	6,513	1,706	24,141	44,012	458,397
Year 1957-58 ..	9,768	69,841	33,128	4,051	46,344	102,717	5,622	14,257	4,014	45,404	81,716	819,151
" 1956-57 ..	6,438	91,974	46,948	6,820	52,953	138,877	5,547	12,553	2,440	66,111	75,881	992,906
" 1955-56 ..	2,701	67,314	36,431	6,705	34,621	86,490	6,192	8,253	3,483	55,004	60,593	781,864
" 1954-55 ..	2,705	64,056	31,823	3,702	35,915	58,572	6,857	6,243	3,243	52,440	57,151	774,164
" 1953-54 ..	2,192	74,401	27,096	6,585	51,326	55,698	5,578	7,286	3,601	55,534	86,965	828,332
.. 1938-39 ..	3,023	9,886	(b) 2,652	(c) 1,380	1,211	4,865	1,039	426	637	19,562	5,331	140,496

(a) Preliminary.

(b) Pre-war Germany.

(c) Pre-war Netherlands East Indies.

OVERSEA TRADE.

**CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.**  
(£A'000.)

Statistical Class and Excise Division or Item.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>GROSS CUSTOMS.</b>				
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin .. .. .	103	97	172	172
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin .. .. .	444	328	776	750
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors .. .. .	912	953	1,662	1,847
4. Tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff .. .. .	3,260	3,228	6,301	6,616
5. Live animals .. .. .	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs .. .. .	1	2	4	4
7. Vegetable substances and fibres .. .. .	77	55	132	116
8a. Yarns and manufactured fibres .. .. .	161	123	380	260
8b. Textiles .. .. .	1,900	1,654	3,765	3,653
8c. Apparel .. .. .	500	447	1,048	1,062
9. Oils, fats and waxes(a) .. .. .	2,835	2,691	5,049	4,740
10. Pigments, paints and varnishes .. .. .	43	51	83	95
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons .. .. .	9	12	19	22
12a. Metals and metal manufactures .. .. .	2,562	2,690	4,939	5,400
12b. Dynamo electrical machinery and electrical appliances, etc. .. .. .	917	898	2,110	2,001
12c. Machines and machinery (except dynamo electrical) .. .. .	1,795	1,882	3,740	3,679
13a. Rubber and rubber manufactures .. .. .	423	88	680	412
13b. Leather and leather manufactures .. .. .	28	31	54	62
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured .. .. .	356	351	681	719
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware .. .. .	474	496	923	1,039
16a. Pulp, paper and board .. .. .	128	141	223	269
16b. Paper manufactures and stationery .. .. .	132	137	256	277
17. Sporting material, toys, jewellery and timepieces .. .. .	717	701	1,319	1,523
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments, etc. .. .. .	301	310	603	609
19. Chemicals, medicinal and pharmaceutical products, etc. .. .. .	369	350	705	727
20. Miscellaneous goods (including passenger's baggage and Post Office collections) .. .. .	627	650	1,265	1,255
Sundry undistributed duties .. .. .	114	71	184	150
Duties under Industries Preservation Act .. .. .	..	3	..	4
Other Miscellaneous Customs receipts .. .. .	59	80	104	154
Total Customs .. .. .	19,247	18,520	37,127	37,757
Primage .. .. .	713	585	1,591	1,192
Total Gross Customs Revenue .. .. .	19,960	19,105	38,718	38,949
<b>GROSS EXCISE.</b>				
Beer .. .. .	33,191	32,183	55,640	54,983
Spirits .. .. .	2,132	2,178	4,506	4,678
Tobacco .. .. .	4,399	4,065	8,564	8,030
Cigars and cigarettes .. .. .	13,951	14,924	25,374	28,454
Petrol, etc.(a) .. .. .	12,479	12,247	22,238	23,831
Playing cards .. .. .	12	13	25	26
Cigarette papers and tubes .. .. .	225	218	435	426
Matches .. .. .	293	290	573	568
Coal .. .. .	151	151	322	307
Other Excise .. .. .	522	577	1,007	1,627
Total Gross Excise Revenue .. .. .	67,355	66,846	118,684	122,920
Total Gross Customs and Excise Revenue .. .. .	87,315	85,951	157,402	161,879
Refunds and Drawback paid .. .. .	1,635	1,344	3,205	2,757
Total Net Customs and Excise Revenue .. .. .	85,680	84,607	154,197	159,122

(a) Duty on aviation turbine kerosene and diesel fuel was first collected on 4th September, 1957.

4. VALUE OF COMMODITIES IMPORTED AND EXPORTED DURING THE  
DECEMBER QUARTER OF 1957 AND 1958 AND THE SIX MONTHS ENDED  
DECEMBER, 1957 AND 1958.

## AUSTRALIA.

## TOTAL IMPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.</b>				
Cheese .. .. .	78	117	150	202
Fish—				
Fresh or preserved by cold process ..	677	628	1,005	1,206
Preserved in airtight containers ..	843	844	1,265	1,439
Other .. .. .	331	175	474	301
Lactose .. .. .	66	59	126	107
Meats—				
Sausage casings, natural ..	324	184	455	360
Other .. .. .	12	42	28	57
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	99	68	186	121
Total, Class I. .. ..	2,430	2,117	3,689	3,793
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.</b>				
Cocoa butter .. .. .	174	179	502	454
Cocoa beans, mass, paste or slab ..	88	278	288	647
Coffee and chicory .. .. .	748	738	1,223	1,380
Confectionery, including cocoa and chocolate .. .. .	69	71	123	131
Fruit, dried, dates .. .. .	4	2	16	2
Grain and pulse .. .. .	137	61	225	389
Hops .. .. .	23	61	52	61
Nuts, edible .. .. .	667	335	1,230	860
Pectin .. .. .	16	10	29	23
Pickles and sauces .. .. .	41	40	113	71
Spices .. .. .	178	183	357	353
Sugar and sugar syrups .. .. .	148	140	163	260
Tea .. .. .	3,862	3,220	6,232	8,213
Vegetables, fresh or frozen .. .. .	43	9	75	41
Vegetables, preserved in airtight containers ..	43	43	72	68
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin ..	276	202	480	399
Total, Class II. .. ..	6,517	5,572	11,180	13,352
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale and other beer, porter, cider and perry	9	9	14	16
Spirits (beverages)—				
Whisky .. .. .	511	482	893	936
Other .. .. .	103	97	175	195
Wine, fermented .. .. .	36	37	60	64
Total, Class III. .. ..	659	625	1,142	1,211

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—*continued*.  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.</b>				
Cigarettes .. .. .	89	109	170	194
Cigars .. .. .	62	57	113	130
Snuff .. .. .	..	..	1	1
Tobacco—				
Manufactured .. .. .	64	60	127	103
Unmanufactured .. .. .	6,218	5,210	7,887	7,750
<b>Total, Class IV.</b> .. .. .	<b>6,433</b>	<b>5,436</b>	<b>8,298</b>	<b>8,178</b>
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS</b> .. .. .	<b>81</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>237</b>
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b>				
Coarse hair and fibre .. .. .	230	300	425	466
Hides and skins—				
Calf and cattle .. .. .	10	9	30	28
Furred skins .. .. .	98	93	205	194
Goat .. .. .	77	71	159	118
Other .. .. .	15	13	27	28
Shells .. .. .	15	21	23	28
Wool .. .. .	630	460	1,134	819
Other animal substances .. .. .	78	75	216	166
<b>Total, Class VI.</b> .. .. .	<b>1,153</b>	<b>1,042</b>	<b>2,219</b>	<b>1,847</b>
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND MAN-MADE FIBRES.</b>				
Copra .. .. .	618	699	1,275	1,265
Cork and manufactures .. .. .	156	128	283	259
Fibres—				
Coir .. .. .	53	48	114	132
Cotton, raw .. .. .	1,445	1,875	3,019	3,312
Flax, hemp and ramie .. .. .	9	30	37	71
Jute .. .. .	118	132	309	228
Kapok .. .. .	53	30	95	81
Sisal .. .. .	400	541	723	1,043
Man-made fibres and filaments .. .. .	770	1,029	1,551	2,000
Other .. .. .	55	35	107	85
Gums and resins .. .. .	369	297	800	713
Seeds—				
Gardening, agricultural and horticultural .. .. .	386	285	774	517
Other oil seeds and nuts (excluding copra) .. .. .	70	40	87	76
Tanning substances .. .. .	121	97	278	208
Other vegetable substances .. .. .	92	69	176	143
<b>Total, Class VII.</b> .. .. .	<b>4,715</b>	<b>5,335</b>	<b>9,628</b>	<b>10,133</b>

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—*continued*.

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.</b>				
<b>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</b>				
Bags and sacks—				
Corn and flour .. ..	2,369	3,160	3,650	3,816
Woolpacks .. ..	363	369	1,254	794
Other .. ..	165	98	335	191
Cordage and twines and manufactures thereof .. ..	85	81	169	187
Sewing and other silk, cotton, etc. Yarns—	519	471	1,132	997
Cotton .. ..	899	830	1,750	1,564
Hair .. ..	55	53	86	80
Man-made fibre .. ..	2,476	1,252	5,796	3,438
Wool or chiefly of wool .. ..	40	24	98	54
Other .. ..	35	36	67	67
Waste materials and scrap textile articles .. ..	5	5	10	10
Total, Class VIII.(a) .. ..	7,011	6,379	14,347	11,198
<b>(b) Textiles—</b>				
Blankets and blanketing .. ..	58	45	113	92
Floor coverings .. ..	1,713	1,697	3,499	3,525
Articles of furnishing, drapery and napery—				
Handkerchiefs, serviettes and tablecloths .. ..	389	319	737	851
Other .. ..	147	144	280	332
Piece-goods—				
Canvas and duck, not impregnated	267	220	529	486
Cotton and linen, not impregnated	9,668	8,245	20,187	19,081
Fabrics and felts, impregnated ..	179	254	376	488
Jute, including hessians and brattice cloth .. ..	852	851	1,780	1,460
Man-made fibre .. ..	1,656	1,253	3,689	3,151
Silk .. ..	264	301	625	634
Velvets, velveteens, etc. .. ..	417	393	604	565
Wool or chiefly of wool .. ..	456	344	684	580
Felt .. ..	117	165	271	339
Other .. ..	544	403	1,252	831
Towels and towelling .. ..	465	310	799	697
Other textiles .. ..	192	159	366	345
Total, Class VIII.(b) .. ..	17,384	15,103	35,791	33,457
<b>(c) Apparel—</b>				
Buttons, including snap fasteners ..	114	92	214	186
Footwear .. ..	161	199	347	504
Garments—				
Knitted—				
Hosiery .. ..	93	85	172	163
Outerwear .. ..	76	93	112	179
Underwear .. ..	17	7	39	21
Other .. ..	75	10	105	21

**Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—continued.**  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—continued.</b>				
<i>(c) Apparel—continued.</i>				
Garments—continued.				
Not knitted—				
Outerwear (including blouses)	174	181	314	336
Sleeping wear, underwear, shirts and other sewn garments .. ..	43	42	108	152
Gloves .. ..	252	181	576	537
Hats and caps .. ..	196	144	419	376
Trimmings and ornaments—				
Embroidery in the piece ..	149	104	422	310
Lace, nets and veilings ..	384	294	1,001	775
Ribbons and galloons ..	62	58	131	111
Other .. ..	214	240	473	520
Other apparel .. ..	204	166	416	353
Total, Class VIII.(c) .. ..	2,214	1,896	4,849	4,544
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	26,609	23,378	54,987	49,199
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>				
Fats, greases and waxes .. ..	339	312	764	732
Oils—				
Castor .. ..	87	17	147	62
Linseed .. ..	390	442	719	744
Olive .. ..	193	164	378	368
Peanut (china) .. ..	296	232	521	457
Petroleum—				
Crude .. ..	15,193	17,042	31,742	35,049
Kerosene (including aviation turbine fuel) .. ..	1,180	1,210	2,869	2,613
Lubricating (mineral) .. ..	1,290	1,102	2,731	2,855
Residual and solar .. ..	467	505	1,000	721
Spirit .. ..	3,198	4,056	5,602	6,381
Turpentine substitutes .. ..	210	377	538	620
Other .. ..	174	162	999	364
Tung (china wood) .. ..	53	48	126	115
Other .. ..	321	582	904	928
Total, Class IX. .. ..	23,391	26,251	49,040	52,009
<b>CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>				
Colour pigments—				
Black .. ..	395	356	831	835
Titanium oxide and titanium white ..	376	285	689	521
Other .. ..	214	182	410	341
Dyes, natural and synthetic, including lakes .. ..	802	657	1,626	1,296
Paints, colours and varnishes .. ..	98	96	181	229
Total, Class X. .. ..	1,885	1,576	3,737	3,222

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—*continued*.  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.</b>				
Abrasives (natural) .. .. .	149	116	330	228
Asbestos .. .. .	762	611	1,526	1,494
Sulphur .. .. .	381	283	854	915
Other rocks, minerals, etc. .. ..	660	630	1,116	1,134
Total, Class XI. .. .. .	1,952	1,640	3,826	3,772
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.</b>				
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Aluminium and aluminium-base alloys (excluding wire and cable)	767	1,591	1,509	2,397
Bolts, nuts, rivets and washers ..	153	122	289	221
Chain and chains of base metal ..	178	168	374	358
Copper and copper-base alloys (excluding wire and cable)—				
Pigs, ingots and blocks ..	330	57	334	97
Other .. .. .	336	291	584	505
Cutlery .. .. .	506	525	1,024	1,131
Fencing posts and droppers ..	164	..	239	..
Heating and cooking appliances ..	209	238	442	445
Iron and steel (including special ferro-alloys)—				
Bars, rods, hoop, ingot, etc. ..	1,001	1,192	2,124	2,514
Ferro-alloys (mainly in ingot form) .. .. .	531	323	1,067	782
Pig, scrap and powder ..	10	9	19	9
Pipes, tubes and fittings therefor .. ..	533	440	1,099	876
Plate and sheet—				
Galvanized .. .. .	35	46	57	91
Plain .. .. .	553	1,021	1,173	1,927
Tinned, plated, polished and decorated .. ..	2,829	2,086	6,641	4,133
Structural .. .. .	55	254	202	415
Kitchenware .. .. .	106	105	207	196
Lamps and lampware .. .. .	198	194	391	364
Leaf and foil .. .. .	476	423	876	816
Meters and parts .. .. .	552	255	1,144	573
Pins, hooks, eyes, needles and slide fasteners .. .. .	77	72	151	135
Tin (ingots, etc., basic shapes, scrap)	206	282	572	501
Tools of trade .. .. .	916	907	1,868	1,825
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and parts .. .. .	3,855	1,880	6,197	4,781
Cycles and cycle parts .. ..	138	151	278	332
Motor cycles, side-cars, etc. ..	355	365	648	645
Motor vehicles (excl. fire engines and fork lift trucks)—				
Complete .. .. .	1,041	1,161	1,997	2,218
Bodies, chassis and parts ..	14,809	15,462	27,413	31,873
Railway and tramway vehicles (including trolley buses) and parts .. .. .	178	31	262	56
Other and parts .. .. .	888	612	2,130	1,173

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—*continued*.

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—<i>continued</i>.</b>				
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—continued.</i>				
Wire, single strand—				
Iron and steel .. ..	112	146	254	331
Copper and copper base alloys ..	26	37	56	61
Other .. ..	101	125	209	254
Wire manufactures—*				
Iron and steel .. ..	187	174	398	317
Other .. ..	..	13	..	51
Other metals and semi-manufactures†	424	448	943	817
Other metal manufactures ..	1,987	2,466	4,095	4,989
Total, Class XII.(a) .. ..	34,822	33,672	67,266	68,209
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and accumulators ..	110	104	207	218
Cable and wire, covered ..	163	140	341	423
Communication equipment, including radio and television ..	2,562	2,377	5,463	5,061
Dynamo electrical machines—				
Electric motors .. ..	787	756	1,772	1,425
Other .. ..	1,404	473	2,406	1,257
Hearing aids .. ..	75	78	144	152
Heating and cooking appliances ..	231	211	431	428
Ignition equipment for internal combustion engines ..	83	47	207	92
Lamps, bulbs, tubes, etc. ..	438	453	863	944
Measuring and recording instruments .. ..	180	213	393	404
Protective equipment .. ..	194	244	461	428
Regulating, starting and controlling apparatus .. ..	1,356	1,329	2,844	2,634
Transformers and rectifiers ..	438	887	1,137	1,683
Other electrical machinery and appliances .. ..	1,020	1,269	1,957	2,455
Total, Class XII.(b) .. ..	9,041	8,581	18,626	17,604
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Air and gas compressors ..	239	538	547	913
Agricultural, horticultural, etc., machinery—				
Harvesting .. ..	561	665	1,199	1,377
Other .. ..	243	275	512	603
Cranes, hoists and other lifting machinery .. ..	199	188	511	368
Dairying machinery .. ..	150	141	300	313
Hand tools (power driven) ..	336	311	634	639

\* For cable and wire, covered see Class XII.(b). † Includes all basic shapes, castings and forgings in the rough and pipes and tubes, flexible or metal-cased.

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—continued.  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.</b>				
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—continued.</i>				
Household machines (except sewing and refrigerating)—				
Vacuum cleaners .. ..	189	89	384	164
Other .. ..	203	357	439	614
Metal-working machinery—				
Machine tools .. ..	1,346	1,544	3,060	3,057
Other .. ..	1,351	1,093	2,720	2,528
Motive power machinery—				
Aircraft engines and parts ..	986	1,410	2,074	2,404
Power boilers and parts ..	90	168	205	391
Tractors and parts .. ..	6,090	4,908	11,973	10,093
Turbines and parts .. ..	972	668	1,412	1,385
Other and parts .. ..	2,524	2,146	5,617	4,390
Office and accounting machines	1,770	2,742	3,616	6,017
Packaging machinery .. ..	164	154	286	420
Paper-making machinery .. ..	126	180	195	329
Paper-working machinery .. ..	220	305	407	595
Printing machinery .. ..	678	729	1,332	1,687
Pumps .. ..	264	303	506	608
Refrigerating appliances .. ..	206	257	510	442
Roller and ball bearings .. ..	1,137	968	2,119	1,920
Sewing machines .. ..	954	814	1,834	1,699
Shavers, electric, and parts ..	97	158	386	231
Stone-cutting, road-making and mining machinery .. ..	2,123	2,031	4,476	4,452
Textile-working machinery and appliances—				
Knitting machines .. ..	420	328	660	611
Other .. ..	1,235	937	2,355	2,183
Wood working machinery .. ..	173	176	331	335
Other machines and machinery ..	2,414	3,515	5,576	6,384
Total, Class XII.(c) .. ..	27,460	28,098	56,176	57,152
Total, Class XII. .. ..	71,323	70,351	142,068	142,965
<b>CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.</b>				
<i>(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures—</i>				
Rubber—				
Crude, waste and masticated (incl. crepe) .. ..	2,265	2,107	4,600	4,475
Substitutes .. ..	954	817	2,249	1,987
Rubber manufactures—				
Elastics and rubber thread ..	234	252	519	468
Tyres and tubes .. ..	384	316	1,066	690
Other .. ..	284	253	544	511
Total, Class XIII.(a) .. ..	4,121	3,745	8,978	8,131
<i>(b) Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather .. ..	96	84	199	191
Leather manufactures .. ..	92	200	192	312
Total, Class XIII.(b) .. ..	188	284	391	503
Total, Class XIII. .. ..	4,309	4,029	9,369	8,634

**Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—continued.**  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.</b>				
Manufactures of wood and wicker, including plywood, veneers and corestock ..	548	638	1,092	1,286
Timber—				
Dressed, bent or cut into shape ..	373	329	630	663
Undressed (including logs) .. ..	3,210	3,018	5,804	6,319
Wicker, bamboo and cane .. ..	62	32	103	67
Total, Class XIV. .. ..	4,193	4,017	7,629	8,335
<b>CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.</b>				
Abrasives (synthetic) .. ..	167	290	352	572
Cement .. ..	55	37	111	79
Crockery and other householdware ..	949	1,035	1,878	2,318
Glass .. ..	937	940	1,880	2,124
Glassware .. ..	519	555	1,044	1,194
Porcelain for electrical purposes ..	77	116	174	262
Tiles .. ..	244	266	438	515
Other earthenware, china, etc. ..	187	253	440	481
Total, Class XV. .. ..	3,135	3,492	6,317	7,545
<b>CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.</b>				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board—</i>				
Millboard and other boards ..	340	339	694	677
Paper—				
Printings—				
Newsprint.. ..	2,999	3,685	6,974	7,271
Other .. ..	910	894	1,695	1,502
Tissue and tissue cap (including cigarette) .. ..	525	614	988	1,125
Wrapping and bag papers ..	657	777	1,444	1,542
Writing and typewriting ..	314	319	546	586
Other .. ..	453	579	857	1,118
Pulp for manufacturing paper ..	1,447	1,074	3,165	3,295
Total, Class XVI.(a) .. ..	7,645	8,281	16,363	17,116
(b) <i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (printed), directories, etc. ..	2,323	2,746	4,646	5,437
Pens and pencils—				
Fountain pens and propelling pencils .. ..	271	245	477	473
Other .. ..	95	99	168	174
Other paper manufactures, stationery, etc. .. ..	706	723	1,482	1,505
Total, Class XVI.(b) .. ..	3,395	3,813	6,773	7,589
Total, Class XVI. .. ..	11,040	12,094	23,136	24,705

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—*continued*.

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIALS, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIME-PIECES.</b>				
Fancy goods and smokers' requisites ..	300	312	573	755
Jewellery—				
Precious stones, unset .. ..	248	194	525	489
Other, including imitation jewellery ..	301	269	584	580
Sporting material .. ..	167	163	343	353
Timepieces—				
Clocks and clock movements .. ..	298	299	601	732
Watches and watch movements .. ..	496	503	821	896
Toys .. ..	703	675	1,413	1,649
Total, Class XVII. .. ..	2,513	2,415	4,860	5,454
<b>CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.</b>				
Cameras and magic lanterns and accessories therefor .. ..	558	579	971	1,046
Cinematographs .. ..	165	122	315	213
Films for cinematographs .. ..	477	553	911	942
Photographic goods, n.e.i. .. ..	222	248	411	426
Scientific instruments, appliances and materials—				
Optical and ophthalmic .. ..	291	251	606	558
Surgical and dental .. ..	612	683	1,258	1,300
Thermostats .. ..	102	141	213	258
Other scientific instruments and appliances .. ..	558	620	1,143	1,424
Total, Class XVIII. .. ..	2,985	3,197	5,828	6,167
<b>CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.</b>				
Acids and anhydrides .. ..	314	306	600	617
Additives for petroleum oils .. ..	316	307	781	658
Alcohols and spirits .. ..	398	434	844	797
Calcium carbide .. ..	110	153	198	265
Drugs and medicinal preparations—				
Antibiotics .. ..	378	489	621	929
Vitamin and vitamin preparations ..	169	142	335	307
Other .. ..	2,131	1,833	4,378	3,803
Essential oils .. ..	135	171	290	325
Fertilizers—				
Potash salts .. ..	111	112	257	246
Rock phosphates .. ..	496	880	1,333	1,902
Other .. ..	211	636	422	795
Gases, refrigerant .. ..	58	132	140	239
Perfumery and toilet preparations ..	147	182	322	381
Soap and soap substitutes .. ..	148	138	301	298
Sodium carbonates .. ..	7	5	14	11
Sodium cyanide .. ..	53	129	147	211
Styrene (monomer) .. ..	155	275	309	566
Tetraethyl lead .. ..	307	205	490	433
Chemical compounds, n.e.i. .. ..	2,869	2,980	5,699	5,970
Chemical materials and products, n.e.i. ..	403	803	674	1,343
Total Class XIX. .. ..	8,916	10,312	18,155	20,096

Value of Commodities, etc.—Total Imports—*continued.*

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Antiques, paintings, works of art ..	44	52	97	134
Arms, ammunition and explosives ..	293	350	1,086	705
Bags, baskets, purses, wallets, etc. ..	179	192	373	443
Brushware ..	77	80	147	171
Cellulose acetate, preformed shapes ..	176	83	343	236
Imports made subject to the condition that they be re-exported ..	700	683	1,323	1,367
Military, Naval and Air Force stores and equipment ..	829	730	1,731	1,827
Musical instruments and parts—				
Gramophones, etc., including records ..	290	288	630	565
Other ..	170	232	354	456
Outside packages ..	3,605	3,545	7,098	7,223
Packings for engines, boilers, etc. ..	345	346	708	655
Passengers' effects ..	1,235	1,141	2,336	2,194
Prefabricated buildings ..	16	19	106	21
Specialized equipment for large-scale projects ..	1,325	351	2,859	887
Structural steelwork for use with industrial equipment ..	252	26	282	43
Synthetic resins ..	1,762	1,712	3,458	3,674
Synthetic sausage casings ..	53	75	143	143
Vessels (ships) ..	539	740	1,530	2,819
Wall and ceiling boards, parts and decorations ..	175	49	374	114
All other articles ..	1,731	1,511	3,135	3,019
Total, Class XX. ..	13,796	12,205	28,113	26,696
TOTAL MERCHANDISE ..	198,035	195,134	393,461	397,550
<b>CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE.</b>				
Bronze Specie ..	..	..	..	..
Gold, including gold in matte ..	521	630	1,435	1,306
Silver, including silver in matte ..	11	7	27	19
Total, Class XXI. ..	532	637	1,462	1,325
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
<b>Importing States—</b>				
New South Wales ..	87,707	83,472	176,011	172,713
Victoria ..	71,951	74,025	140,174	146,160
Queensland ..	12,664	12,082	24,507	25,117
South Australia ..	11,898	11,851	24,969	22,843
Western Australia ..	10,903	11,032	22,158	25,051
Tasmania ..	3,141	2,986	6,509	6,431
Northern Territory ..	292	305	572	529
Australian Capital Territory ..	11	18	23	31
GRAND TOTAL ..	198,567	195,771	394,923	398,875

**VALUE OF COMMODITIES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM  
AUSTRALIA.**

**TOTAL EXPORTS.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)**

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.</b>				
Butter .. .. .	7,251	5,829	9,801	8,417
Cheese .. .. .	789	520	1,136	783
Eggs .. .. .	2,110	866	2,912	1,135
Fish, fresh or preserved by cold process ..	213	294	563	748
Ghee .. .. .	95	71	214	201
Honey .. .. .	266	153	467	295
Infants' and invalids' foods .. ..	721	490	1,358	993
Meats—				
Bacon and hams, except tinned ..	64	28	98	61
Meat extracts .. ..	264	354	600	583
Preserved by cold process—				
Beef and veal .. ..	4,207	13,850	12,849	24,898
Lamb .. .. .	3,848	4,765	4,221	5,551
Mutton .. .. .	473	1,419	722	2,298
Offals .. .. .	833	1,516	1,538	2,543
Pork .. .. .	62	55	146	172
Poultry .. .. .	42	39	85	70
Rabbit and hare .. ..	570	628	1,377	1,715
Preserved in airtight containers ..	3,702	3,997	8,402	8,318
Sausage casings, natural .. ..	738	663	1,123	1,217
Other .. .. .	139	238	306	416
Milk and cream—				
Preserved, condensed, concentrated ..	1,581	1,694	2,206	2,684
Dried, including malted .. ..	1,282	1,460	2,157	2,454
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	188	721	359	911
Total, Class I. .. ..	29,438	39,650	52,640	66,463
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.</b>				
Biscuits, cakes and puddings .. ..	79	82	171	168
Confectionery, cocoa and chocolate ..	81	58	173	123
Foods for animals .. .. .	101	306	254	379
Fruit juices, syrups and substitutes ..	58	122	206	274
Fruit—				
Dried—				
Currants .. .. .	75	109	381	553
Raisins .. .. .	647	1,289	3,755	6,338
Other .. .. .	7	15	38	136
Fresh and frozen—				
Apples .. .. .	14	26	226	343
Citrus .. .. .	394	240	796	551
Other .. .. .	4	56	8	63
Preserved in tins and other airtight containers .. .. .	750	1,595	3,971	4,790
Pulped .. .. .	2	11	30	50

Value of Commodities, etc.—Exports—*continued.*

(\$A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>				
<i>—continued.</i>				
Grain and pulse—				
Prepared—				
Breakfast foods .. .. .	40	41	97	61
Flour (wheaten)—				
Plain white .. .. .	4,228	3,100	9,070	5,922
Other .. .. .	189	150	319	298
Rice, (cleaned) .. .. .	344	546	721	1,211
Other .. .. .	410	575	1,038	1,084
Unprepared—				
Barley .. .. .	1,635	1,379	5,396	3,860
Millet .. .. .	80	96	201	227
Oats .. .. .	88	736	230	995
Peas (not split) .. .. .	44	66	65	134
Rice .. .. .	145	147	300	339
Sorghum .. .. .	..	869	..	869
Wheat .. .. .	9,939	7,803	18,462	16,246
Other .. .. .	28	9	34	10
Jams and fruit jellies .. .. .	95	166	214	336
Soups .. .. .	70	68	169	144
Sugar—from cane .. .. .	14,697	10,444	27,277	20,981
Tea .. .. .	87	93	166	172
Vegetables—				
Preserved in liquid or pulped .. .. .	88	44	133	71
Other .. .. .	68	69	275	166
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin .. .. .	105	136	245	291
Total, Class II. .. .. .	34,592	30,446	74,421	67,185
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale, beer, cider, etc. .. .. .	154	143	295	307
Spirits (beverages) .. .. .	60	95	161	190
Wine .. .. .	206	309	491	613
Total, Class III. .. .. .	420	547	947	1,110
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.</b>				
Cigarettes, cigars and snuff .. .. .	87	89	154	134
Tobacco .. .. .	94	58	161	173
Total, Class IV. .. .. .	181	147	315	307
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.</b>				
Cattle .. .. .	217	72	454	252
Horses .. .. .	60	35	138	117
Sheep .. .. .	86	85	207	186
Other live animals .. .. .	27	34	49	65
Total, Class V. .. .. .	390	226	848	620

## Value of Commodities, etc.—Exports—continued.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD-STUFFS.</b>				
Hides and skins—				
Calf, cattle and horse .. ..	878	1,617	1,961	2,790
Kangaroo and wallaby .. ..	129	59	195	137
Rabbit and hare .. ..	241	307	667	945
Sheep and lamb .. ..	6,203	3,638	11,875	7,180
Other (including sheepskin and lamb-skin pieces) .. ..	137	83	210	119
Pearl-shell .. ..	313	209	684	400
Trochus-shell .. ..	61	50	119	88
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	116,149	79,721	181,811	121,831
Scoured and washed, slipes, carbonized, noils, tops and waste .. ..	11,550	9,598	26,656	17,870
Other animal substances .. ..	127	118	371	246
Total, Class VI. .. ..	135,788	95,400	224,549	151,606
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND MAN-MADE FIBRES.</b>				
Seeds .. ..	109	86	289	243
Tanning substances .. ..	89	104	122	129
Other vegetable substances .. ..	73	92	158	180
Total, Class VII. .. ..	271	282	569	552
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.</b>				
<i>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Waste materials and scrap from textile articles .. ..	268	148	491	272
Yarns—				
Wool or chiefly of wool .. ..	32	26	48	47
Other, including sewing threads, etc. .. ..	33	86	74	132
Other manufactured fibres .. ..	23	68	53	96
Total, Class VIII.(a) .. ..	356	328	666	547
<i>(b) Textiles—</i>				
Piece goods—				
Cotton .. ..	45	37	97	74
Wholly or chiefly of rayon or other man-made fibres .. ..	17	36	38	56
Wool or chiefly of wool .. ..	40	18	83	35
Other .. ..	18	19	36	38
Other textiles .. ..	81	59	167	147
Total, Class VIII.(b) .. ..	201	169	421	350

Value of Commodities, etc.—Exports—*continued*.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—<i>continued</i>.</b>				
<i>(c) Apparel—</i>				
Footwear .. .. .	41	76	69	138
Outerwear .. .. .	36	25	62	62
Shirts, underwear and sleeping attire .. .. .	13	13	25	23
Other apparel .. .. .	67	75	146	136
Total, Class VIII.(c) .. ..	157	189	302	359
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	714	686	1,389	1,256
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>				
Fats and waxes, etc.—				
Edible animal fats, excluding tallow ..	14	26	41	47
Fatty acids .. .. .	82	48	173	112
Tallow, edible and inedible .. ..	923	991	2,673	1,762
Other .. .. .	50	59	94	117
Oils—				
Petroleum and shale, including petroleum jelly—				
Kerosene (incl. aviation turbine fuel)	65	210	108	263
Lubricating .. .. .	83	93	170	261
Residual, diesel fuel and furnace oil	2,915	1,437	4,506	3,263
Spirit .. .. .	410	1,577	893	2,804
Other .. .. .	434	735	769	1,257
Whale oil .. .. .	493	370	1,606	1,081
Other .. .. .	56	73	110	105
Total, Class IX. .. ..	5,525	5,619	11,143	11,072
<b>CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>				
Lead oxides .. .. .	48	60	95	116
Paints and enamels prepared for use ..	89	107	213	220
Other pigments, paints and varnishes ..	56	123	151	202
Total, Class X. .. ..	193	290	459	538
<b>CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.</b>				
Asbestos, crude and fibre .. ..	528	46	797	177
Asphalt, tar and pitch .. ..	34	104	163	200
Coal .. .. .	683	762	1,443	1,432
Coke .. .. .	226	3	555	78
Ores and concentrates, including residues and wastes—				
Copper .. .. .	27	255	748	494
Lead and silver-lead .. ..	1,965	1,422	3,757	2,703
Titanium and zirconium .. ..	2,008	1,199	4,461	2,745
Tungsten .. .. .	542	77	1,080	130
Zinc .. .. .	1,031	973	2,873	1,719
Other .. .. .	352	194	804	441
Other rocks and minerals .. ..	78	86	169	188
Total, Class XI. .. ..	7,474	5,121	16,850	10,307

**Value of Commodities, etc.—Exports—continued.**  
**(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)**

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.</b>				
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Metals and semi-manufactures—				
Copper .. .. .	1,416	1,610	2,547	2,638
Copper-base alloys .. ..	58	257	149	325
Iron and steel—				
Bar and rod .. .. .	256	383	401	713
Pipes, tubes and fittings therefor .. .. .	762	1,866	1,762	3,098
Plate and sheet .. ..	3,477	3,620	7,071	6,004
Scrap .. .. .	638	745	1,795	1,399
Other .. .. .	895	928	1,651	1,899
Lead—				
Bullion and silver-lead bullion	1,458	1,730	2,843	3,369
Pig .. .. .	3,891	3,582	8,311	6,211
Other .. .. .	163	70	327	135
Zinc .. .. .	751	860	1,355	1,833
Other metals and semi-manufactures .. .. .	145	144	292	255
Metal manufactures—				
Builders' and engineering hardware .. .. .	95	91	313	208
Tools of trade .. ..	124	67	246	159
Vehicles and parts—				
Complete motor vehicles ..	460	490	864	948
Other vehicles and parts ..	2,437	1,165	4,640	4,393
Window louvres .. ..	210	178	420	334
Other metal manufactures ..	892	1,050	1,982	2,003
Total, Class XII.(a) .. ..	18,128	18,836	36,969	35,924
<i>(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and accumulators ..	100	114	200	247
Cable and wire, covered .. ..	72	74	126	411
Communication equipment .. ..	188	454	533	677
Other electrical appliances .. ..	265	352	532	718
Total, Class XII.(b) .. ..	625	994	1,391	2,053
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Aircraft engines and parts .. ..	93	89	153	269
Agricultural, horticultural, etc., machinery .. .. .	438	408	956	703
Mining and metallurgical machinery and appliances .. .. .	134	254	530	325
Motive power machinery .. ..	296	371	843	732
Personal and massage appliances ..	88	29	189	86
Pumps, machinery .. .. .	143	80	255	164
Refrigerating appliances .. ..	99	109	163	215
Other machines and machinery ..	1,639	1,284	3,687	2,464
Total, Class XII.(c) .. ..	2,930	2,624	6,776	4,953
Total, Class XII. .. .. .	21,683	22,454	45,136	42,935

Value of Commodities, etc.—Exports—continued.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.</b>				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i> ..	228	219	479	433
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather—				
Hide leathers—				
Sole .. .. .	155	135	354	265
Other .. .. .	672	666	1,281	1,249
Sheep and lamb .. .. .	21	22	44	39
Other .. .. .	86	96	142	194
Leather manufactures .. .. .	34	34	66	97
Total, Class XIII.(b) .. .. .	968	953	1,887	1,844
Total, Class XIII. .. .. .	1,196	1,172	2,366	2,277
<b>CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.</b>				
Sleepers, railway .. .. .	674	782	1,157	1,345
Timber .. .. .	492	444	986	836
Wood and wicker manufactures .. .. .	138	129	297	262
Total, Class XIV. .. .. .	1,304	1,355	2,440	2,443
<b>CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE</b> ..	295	215	622	483
<b>CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.</b>				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board</i> .. .. .	118	199	277	480
<i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (printed), periodicals, newspapers, etc. .. .. .	385	311	768	613
Other .. .. .	239	155	502	312
Total, Class XVI.(b) .. .. .	624	466	1,270	925
Total, Class XVI. .. .. .	742	665	1,547	1,405
<b>CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIME-PIECES.</b>				
Precious stones, unset—pearls, etc. .. .. .	125	146	233	262
Sporting goods .. .. .	43	42	123	97
Other .. .. .	40	35	65	69
Total, Class XVII. .. .. .	208	223	421	428
<b>CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.</b>				
Films for cinematographs .. .. .	34	53	119	128
Photographic goods and materials .. .. .	172	222	409	417
Other optical, surgical and scientific instruments and materials .. .. .	183	194	371	383
Total, Class XVIII. .. .. .	389	469	899	928

Value of Commodities, etc.—Exports—*continued*.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.</b>				
Casein .. .. .	423	606	585	828
Drugs and medicinal preparations—				
Acetylsalicylic acid .. .. .	87	32	177	91
Other .. .. .	369	489	701	971
Eucalyptus oil .. .. .	42	13	86	47
Perfumery and toilet preparations .. .. .	47	60	106	117
Soap .. .. .	96	102	205	292
Other chemicals, elements and compounds .. .. .	371	581	809	1,118
Miscellaneous chemical preparations (including fertilizers) .. .. .	212	234	419	414
Total, Class XIX. .. .. .	1,647	2,117	3,088	3,878
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Arms and ammunition .. .. .	52	30	107	62
Exports by the Commonwealth Government for Australian Government projects being carried on outside Australia and for Australian representatives abroad .. .. .	497	740	1,176	994
Other goods exported with the intention that they be re-imported and temporary imports when subsequently exported. Goods exported by Australian Companies for installation in or servicing their own aircraft abroad .. .. .	1,244	1,208	3,080	2,252
Military, Naval and Air Force stores and equipment .. .. .	291	1,809	674	2,518
Synthetic resins .. .. .	154	217	331	339
Miscellaneous exports when valued at less than £50 in any one consignment .. .. .	1,323	1,116	2,742	2,319
Vessels (ships) transferred abroad .. .. .	145	41	234	146
All other articles .. .. .	1,273	1,183	2,829	2,748
Total, Class XX. .. .. .	4,979	6,344	11,173	11,378
TOTAL, MERCHANDISE .. .. .	247,429	213,428	451,822	377,171
<b>CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER: BRONZE SPECIE.</b>				
Bronze Specie .. .. .	1	..	1	..
Gold, including gold in matte .. .. .	403	1,525	6,307	2,047
Silver, including silver in matte .. .. .	159	492	267	968
Total, Class XXI. .. .. .	563	2,017	6,575	3,015
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
<b>States of Final Shipment—</b>				
New South Wales .. .. .	69,730	65,339	130,680	107,235
Victoria .. .. .	68,214	58,237	113,360	99,430
Queensland .. .. .	46,775	44,981	99,696	84,167
South Australia .. .. .	28,373	22,422	56,795	41,605
Western Australia .. .. .	31,036	21,325	51,613	41,777
Tasmania .. .. .	3,681	3,102	5,866	5,920
Northern Territory .. .. .	183	39	387	52
Australian Produce .. .. .	244,561	210,259	450,872	371,155
Re-exports .. .. .	3,431	5,186	7,525	9,031
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	247,992	215,445	458,397	380,186

**TOTAL QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
		1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.					
Butter .. .. .	'000 lb.	49,354	62,792	66,047	89,781
Cheese .. .. .	"	9,342	7,788	12,239	11,063
Processed milk—					
Condensed .. .. .	"	20,988	24,389	29,498	38,638
Dried, including malted .. .. .	"	17,766	25,092	27,222	35,254
Infants' and invalids' foods .. .. .	"	4,236	3,548	8,100	6,355
Eggs—					
In shell .. .. .	'000 doz.	5,761	2,467	10,306	3,986
Not in shell .. .. .	'000 lb.	11,936	4,456	12,761	4,481
Meats, poultry and game—					
Bacon and hams .. .. .	"	233	104	366	236
Preserved by cold process—					
Beef and veal .. .. .	"	58,149	137,960	181,980	268,061
Lamb .. .. .	"	39,992	52,974	43,787	61,616
Mutton .. .. .	"	9,328	19,203	13,646	31,464
Offals .. .. .	"	8,608	14,606	17,632	25,240
Pork .. .. .	"	419	398	903	1,252
Poultry .. .. .	"	184	157	399	298
Rabbits and hares—					
Furred (carcasses) .. .. .	'000 prs.	33	16	73	62
Skinned (carcasses and pieces) .. .. .	'000 lb.	5,592	5,024	15,354	16,671
Preserved in airtight containers .. .. .	"	33,560	35,012	70,804	71,925
Sausage casings, natural .. .. .	'000 bundles	731	769	1,113	1,336
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.					
Fruit—					
Dried—					
Currants .. .. .	'000 lb.	1,340	1,770	6,771	9,083
Raisins .. .. .	"	10,761	22,193	58,426	92,378
Tree fruits .. .. .	"	45	134	210	1,070
Fresh—					
Apples .. .. .	'000 bus.	6	23	123	243
Citrus .. .. .	"	261	147	520	346
Other .. .. .	"	2	12	5	16
Preserved in airtight containers .. .. .	'000 lb.	9,802	22,484	51,044	66,608
Pulped .. .. .	"	28	195	375	612
Grain or cereals—					
Prepared—					
Barley—pearl and scotch .. .. .	"	49	152	92	221
Flour (wheaten), plain white .. .. .	"	273,723	223,940	595,712	401,762
Oatmeal and rolled oats .. .. .	"	1,130	1,352	1,818	1,646
Rice .. .. .	cwt.	106,246	187,160	222,769	393,592
Unprepared—					
Barley .. .. .	ton	81,147	49,571	265,198	150,395
Oats .. .. .	"	3,683	30,430	12,584	39,896
Wheat .. .. .	"	382,054	290,962	697,558	595,250
Jams and fruit jellies .. .. .	'000 lb.	1,356	2,427	3,071	4,786
Sugar—from cane .. .. .	ton	306,678	245,706	532,640	512,225
Vegetables—preserved or pulped .. .. .	'000 lb.	581	434	1,113	699

Total Quantities of Principal Commodities Exported from Australia—*continued*.

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
		1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.</b>					
Wine .. .. .	'000 gal.	350	463	750	944
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b>					
Hides and skins—					
Calf, cattle and horse .. ..	'000 lb.	13,565	22,782	32,482	40,799
Kangaroo and wallaby .. ..	„	381	200	569	478
Rabbit and hare .. ..	„	1,196	1,085	2,309	3,140
Sheep and lamb .. ..	„	32,776	(a)33,964	58,330	(a)63,746
Wool—					
Greasy .. .. .	„	370,036	373,662	558,580	550,024
Scoured and washed, slupe, carbonized, tops, noils and waste .. .. .	„	26,085	32,828	58,742	58,990
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>					
Tallow, edible and inedible ..	ton	10,601	14,001	31,389	30,743
<b>CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDROCARBONS.</b>					
Coal .. .. .	ton	172,728	179,139	359,839	347,428
Ores and concentrates—					
Lead and silver-lead .. ..	„	31,331	22,680	59,306	46,184
Zinc .. .. .	„	68,193	94,089	189,329	167,096
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS.</b>					
Lead—					
Pig .. .. .	ton	38,110	38,238	77,881	69,203
Bullion .. .. .	„	11,864	16,069	22,512	32,074
Zinc, bars, blocks, etc. .. ..	„	8,185	9,809	14,089	21,570

(a) Excludes weight of "pickled skins" from 1st July, 1958.

## PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.				Fruits.		
			Pacon and Hams.	Beef and Veal.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.(a)	Pork.(a)	Dried.		Pre- served in air- tight con- tainers.
							Vine.	Tree.	

## QUANTITY.

('000 lb.)

1938-39 ..	229,543	35,924	1,739	271,964	186,489	30,716	164,213	3,915	81,279
1954-55 ..	140,017	49,543	1,675	276,398	128,798	6,515	153,000	6,437	215,795
1955-56 ..	185,103	38,485	1,003	322,748	116,283	2,472	137,300	3,665	209,123
1956-57 ..	170,833	39,262	748	334,644	76,274	1,437	100,837	2,877	133,991
1957-58 ..	113,779	20,674	577	282,005	106,622	2,149	133,717	1,353	165,161
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1957 ..	66,047	12,238	366	181,980	57,433	903	65,191	211	51,044
Dec., 1958 ..	89,781	11,062	243	268,061	93,080	1,252	101,461	1,075	66,608

## VALUE.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

1938-39 ..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882	2,747	118	1,267
1954-55 ..	24,589	5,057	355	21,890	11,817	781	7,637	799	15,245
1955-56 ..	28,966	3,537	229	23,431	9,752	364	7,375	427	15,469
1956-57 ..	25,824	3,890	196	23,271	6,095	271	6,209	377	10,078
1957-58 ..	15,639	1,855	150	21,571	8,384	318	8,957	185	12,357
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1957 ..	9,801	1,136	98	12,849	4,943	146	4,136	38	3,971
Dec., 1958 ..	8,417	783	61	24,898	7,849	172	6,891	136	4,790

(a) Preserved by cold process.

Period.	Wheat.	Flour (Wheaten) Plain White.	Barley (Unpre- pared).	Sugar— from Cane.	Wool.		Sheep and Lamb- skins.	Lead (Pig).
					Greasy.	Scoured. (a)		

## QUANTITY.

	tons.	'000 lb.	tons.	tons.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	tons.
1938-39 ..	1,690,956	1,450,130	58,441	443,014	793,384	70,881	84,359	204,495
1954-55 ..	1,691,063	1,311,238	421,174	737,149	959,033	101,553	100,229	140,256
1955-56 ..	1,902,896	1,333,587	470,210	592,229	1,063,475	114,550	105,566	145,987
1956-57 ..	2,440,355	1,499,424	591,548	675,232	1,206,621	131,880	103,373	167,380
1957-58 ..	1,060,055	919,355	430,017	707,804	1,080,634	116,812	125,325	164,061
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1957 ..	697,558	595,712	265,198	532,640	558,580	58,740	58,330	77,881
Dec., 1958 ..	595,250	401,762	150,395	512,225	549,944	58,990	63,746	69,203

## VALUE.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

1938-39 ..	8,735	4,540	342	4,178	37,305	5,324	2,370	4,267
1954-55 ..	45,222	20,305	10,357	31,146	310,902	42,204	15,935	17,182
1955-56 ..	46,456	19,703	10,471	24,723	293,835	43,673	15,691	19,539
1956-57 ..	60,058	21,609	12,745	28,780	425,727	57,977	19,917	22,915
1957-58 ..	23,493	14,349	9,474	34,996	325,509	47,888	20,461	15,820
Six months ended—								
Dec., 1957 ..	18,462	9,070	5,396	27,277	181,811	26,654	11,875	8,311
Dec., 1958 ..	16,246	5,922	3,860	20,981	121,811	17,870	7,180	6,211

(a) Includes scoured and washed, carbonized, tops, noils, waste and slipe.

# PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1957.		1958.		1957.		1958.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	BUTTER.				CHEESE.			
United Kingdom ..	57,069	8,173	79,996	6,980	8,580	541	8,828	423
Australian Territories ..	297	52	333	45	59	9	54	8
Borneo (British) ..	91	20	187	33	4	1	4	1
Ceylon ..	998	165	1,382	183	116	17	237	37
Cyprus ..	186	38	100	16	38	6	2	..
Gulana (British) ..	60	12	174	27	4	1	2	..
Hong Kong ..	673	112	849	112	87	11	182	27
India ..	36	6	12	2	67	11	49	7
Malaya, Fed. of ..	862	162	1,132	170	58	9	69	9
Mauritius ..	286	60	418	73	46	8	63	10
Singapore ..	1,017	183	1,244	173	308	39	268	38
West Indies (British) ..	198	40	195	33	42	7	62	9
Other C'wealth Countries	502	93	377	59	263	45	113	20
Arabian States ..	341	72	695	124	727	131	588	112
Burma ..	154	33	169	30	26	5	3	1
French Dependencies—								
New Caledonia ..	245	45	304	44	47	8	68	11
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	669	100	220	19	..	..	..	..
Indonesia ..	151	33	..	..	106	20	..	..
Italy ..	112	16	694	82	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	50	8	40	6	41	6	114	13
Lebanon ..	9	1	1	..	108	19	36	6
Netherlands Antilles ..	105	22	125	21	1	..	..	..
Philippines ..	545	102	113	19	990	151	110	16
Other Foreign Countries	1,391	253	1,021	166	520	91	211	35
New South Wales ..	936	154	501	74	152	24	156	22
Victoria ..	49,922	7,718	64,470	5,924	6,894	795	6,240	526
Queensland ..	7,929	1,034	18,282	1,805	480	63	803	60
South Australia ..	450	52	287	24	4,313	234	3,729	167
Western Australia ..	47	7	40	6	399	20	135	8
Tasmania ..	6,763	836	6,201	584	..	..	..	..
Total ..	66,047	9,801	89,781	8,417	12,238	1,136	11,063	783
	BACON AND HAMS.				BEEF AND VEAL. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
United Kingdom ..	..	..	..	..	147,271	9,747	229,252	19,830
Australian Territories ..	69	21	62	17	643	89	716	105
Bermuda ..	..	..	..	..	414	74	573	104
Hong Kong ..	23	9	..	..	4,565	341	1,279	124
Malaya, Fed. of ..	69	19	..	..	2,879	229	742	83
Malta ..	..	..	..	..	648	60	1,285	152
Singapore ..	..	18	56	12	4,027	367	5,002	494
West Indies (British) ..	35	9	24	6	1,033	108	3,351	350
Other C'wealth Countries	50	14	71	18	2,133	195	2,548	267
Arabian States—								
Saudi Arabia ..	..	..	..	..	176	36	306	82
Other ..	3	1	5	1	409	76	474	103
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	..	..	..	..	5,106	372	832	83
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	789	67	59	7
Japan ..	..	..	..	..	4,787	364	999	89
Philippines ..	..	..	..	..	2,288	211	2,381	252
United States of America	..	..	..	..	2,835	313	14,624	2,310
Other Foreign Countries	23	7	25	7	1,977	200	3,638	454
New South Wales ..	36	11	20	6	17,869	1,483	45,168	4,830
Victoria ..	15	3	12	3	5,737	570	18,763	2,190
Queensland ..	207	61	142	37	137,657	9,451	184,946	16,351
South Australia ..	6	2	5	1	532	40	3,213	211
Western Australia ..	102	21	64	14	19,883	1,287	15,520	1,276
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	302	18	450	40
N. Territory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Total ..	366	98	243	61	181,980	12,849	268,061	24,898

NOTE.—Values in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

## Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries--continued.

	Six months ended December.							
Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	1957.		1958.		1957.		1958.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	MUTTON AND LAMB. (Preserved by Cold Process.)				PORK. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
United Kingdom ..	49,152	4,277	70,364	5,793	224	33	410	42
Australian Territories ..	307	38	329	34	137	26	134	20
Canada .. ..	1,157	108	4,055	364	34	7	67	14
Ceylon .. ..	185	18	213	16	35	6	1	..
Hong Kong .. ..	379	36	234	19	71	11	94	13
Malaya, Fed. of ..	521	30	1,083	53	5	1	26	4
Rhodesia and Nyasaland ..	617	52	555	47	..	..	..	..
Singapore .. ..	1,426	110	1,572	103	219	30	256	38
South Africa, Union of ..	213	21	95	8	..	..	..	..
Other C'wealth Countries	1,110	87	1,233	86	37	7	68	10
Arabian States ..	219	31	386	44	71	13	36	6
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	972	56	120	4	..	..	..	..
United States of America	671	42	11,881	1,217	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	504	37	960	61	70	12	160	25
New South Wales ..	3,043	228	14,606	1,115	45	10	33	7
Victoria .. ..	32,994	2,662	46,777	3,974	188	32	183	30
Queensland .. ..	184	8	1,080	83	205	37	360	60
South Australia ..	12,508	1,243	16,276	1,558	..	..	..	..
Western Australia ..	8,159	746	12,694	959	410	57	666	75
Tasmania .. ..	545	56	1,647	160	55	10	..	..
Total .. ..	57,433	4,943	93,080	7,849	903	146	1,252	172
	DRIED VINE FRUITS—CURRANTS.				DRIED VINE FRUITS—RAISINS (including Sultanias and Lexias).			
United Kingdom ..	1,804	95	2,018	112	30,960	2,115	32,354	2,582
Canada .. ..	3,139	175	3,433	215	18,541	1,065	28,503	1,777
Ceylon .. ..	119	7	257	16	604	36	1,055	65
New Zealand .. ..	1,033	64	1,717	104	7,139	463	13,252	734
Singapore .. ..	27	2	56	4	38	3	149	9
Other C'wealth Countries	592	35	682	43	991	61	2,021	137
Netherlands ..	..	..	56	3	..	..	1,366	95
Other Foreign Countries	57	3	864	56	153	12	13,678	939
New South Wales ..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..
Victoria .. ..	2,224	127	2,053	127	50,719	3,270	83,158	5,663
Queensland .. ..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..
South Australia ..	3,755	204	4,806	290	7,704	484	9,219	675
Western Australia ..	792	50	2,224	136	..	..	..	..
Tasmania .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .. ..	6,771	381	9,083	553	58,426	3,755	92,378	6,338

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

## Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1957.		1958.		1957.		1958.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	DRIED TREE FRUITS.				FRUITS PRESERVED IN AIRTIGHT CONTAINERS.			
United Kingdom ..	9	1	766	95	43,221	3,344	58,974	4,265
Canada ..	2	..	12	2	1,534	119	3,323	216
New Zealand ..	120	26	218	28	4,541	365	1,743	123
Singapore ..	10	1	2	..	239	19	369	26
Other C'wealth Countries	59	7	66	9	1,079	87	784	61
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48	2
Germany, Fed. Rep. of	7	2	4	1	..	..	300	19
Other Foreign Countries	4	1	7	1	430	37	1,067	78
New South Wales ..	49	6	166	22	5,233	413	3,934	301
Victoria ..	19	2	8	1	34,472	2,739	41,530	3,135
Queensland ..	3	..	..	..	6,722	505	13,543	856
South Australia ..	136	29	344	41	4,455	298	4,354	292
Western Australia ..	..	..	..	..	2	..	100	8
Tasmania ..	4	1	557	72	160	16	3,147	198
Total ..	211	38	1,075	136	51,044	3,971	66,608	4,790
	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	'000lb.	£A'000.	'000lb.	£A'000.
	WHEAT.				FLOUR (WHEATEN)—PLAIN-WHITE.			
United Kingdom ..	202,337	5,289	219,734	6,051	55,253	780	53,461	622
Aden ..	820	24	2,480	74	23,547	348	30,656	445
Australian Territories ..	48	1	56	2	5,339	89	6,777	114
Borneo (British) ..	..	..	10	..	5,731	144	9,854	153
Ceylon ..	148	4	124	4	91,723	1,306	39,285	599
East Africa (British) ..	138	3	..	..	8,827	132	6,561	98
Hong Kong ..	22,394	563	26,307	697	6,536	99	4,609	71
India ..	11,637	310	15,830	426	887	13	144	2
Ireland, Republic of ..	13,007	346	36,131	971	79,768	1,282	86,393	1,376
Malaya, Fed. of ..	10,596	296	9,779	267	12,320	179	13,462	211
Malta ..	8,885	238	..	..	304	6	11	..
Mauritius ..	..	..	5	..	10,263	170	11,037	136
New Zealand ..	128,175	3,373	126,586	3,408	6,590	109	7,141	118
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	277	4	193	3
Fiji ..	17	1	124	4	1,980	30	2,417	37
Other ..	2	..	14	1	40,218	648	42,968	680
Pakistan ..	126,428	3,438	9,470	260	8,057	120	3,509	18
Rhodesia and Nyasaland	31,261	846	19,482	573	26,679	361	29,139	412
Singapore ..	1,729	48	2,265	70	18,626	297	9,348	146
Other C'wealth Countries	23	1	247	6	14,189	228	1,784	27
Arabian States ..	1,667	47	5,497	160	88,893	1,393	13,459	200
Burma ..	..	..	400	11	582	8	365	5
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	727	10
French Dependencies ..	180	6	192	8	463	7	..	..
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	20,760	540	32,349	506	7,386	112
Indonesia ..	220	6	..	..	1,710	25	698	10
Iran ..	11,304	318	886	12	694	10	116	2
Iraq ..	2,426	69	7,012	208	22,516	330	..	..
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	21,716	350	16,791	270
Japan ..	112,304	2,922	77,530	2,089	6,575	96	3,470	40
Philippines ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Portuguese Possessions—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
India ..	2,900	85	1,525	44	..	..	..	..
Mozambique ..	8,833	226	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sudan ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Thailand ..	79	2	85	2	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	..	..	8,500	233	..	..	..	..
For Orders ..	..	..	4,719	125	..	..	..	..
New South Wales ..	285	10	27,171	724	145,350	2,276	39,001	524
Victoria ..	116,945	3,023	123,749	3,281	261,476	3,977	182,773	2,788
Queensland ..	..	..	4	..	4,058	64	3,449	61
South Australia ..	237,128	6,307	157,303	4,346	59,928	877	81,431	1,101
Western Australia ..	343,200	9,122	237,023	7,895	124,900	1,876	95,108	1,448
Total ..	697,558	18,462	595,250	16,246	595,712	9,070	401,762	5,922

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—*continued*.

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1957.		1958.		1957.		1958.	
	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.
	BARLEY—UNPREPARED.				SUGAR—FROM CANE.			
United Kingdom ..	49,116	951	24,504	661	289,469	14,590	237,884	10,926
Australian Territories—								
New Guinea ..	..	..	..	..	774	64	1,425	76
Canada ..	..	..	..	..	93,300	5,020	81,318	3,059
Ceylon ..	7	..	5	..	17,048	617	..	..
Hong Kong ..	100	2	79	3	13,135	714	35,637	1,341
Malaya, Fed. of ..	2	..	3	..	16,654	874	34,060	1,286
New Zealand ..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Singapore ..	270	6	4	..	1,667	139	1,899	97
Other C'wealth Countries	65	2	241	7	..	..	..	..
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	32,736	664	2,150	59	..	..	..	..
Denmark ..	..	..	9,850	249	..	..	..	..
French Dependencies—								
New Caledonia ..	5	..	10	..	..	..	8	..
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	30,438	604	8,109	205	..	..	..	..
Italy ..	5,568	134	2,500	66	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	127,156	2,651	73,764	1,760	100,147	5,217	119,892	4,189
Netherlands ..	18,292	351	11,675	323	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	1,441	30	190	6	446	42	102	7
For Orders ..	..	..	17,311	521	..	..	..	..
New South Wales ..	7	1	265	7	1,585	174	2,626	130
Victoria ..	12,255	248	5,563	154	192	16	255	16
Queensland ..	..	..	28,956	821	530,831	27,084	509,316	20,833
South Australia ..	248,993	5,065	105,854	2,631	..	..	..	..
Western Australia ..	3,943	82	9,757	247	32	3	28	2
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	265,198	5,396	150,395	3,860	532,640	27,277	512,225	20,981

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—*continued.*

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1957.		1958.		1957.		1958.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WOOL—GREASY.				WOOL—SCOURED AND WASHED. SLIPE, CARBONIZED, TOPS, NOILS AND WASTE.			
United Kingdom ..	128,597	40,481	151,361	32,236	10,685	4,164	12,471	3,082
Canada ..	227	68	35	9	1,337	541	1,995	517
Hong Kong ..	..	..	1,315	335	72	50	552	210
India ..	1	1	108	28	2,194	1,223	3,025	1,267
Ireland, Republic of ..	1,690	603	727	224	13	5	15	3
New Zealand ..	91	30	21	6	459	274	478	242
Pakistan ..	..	..	..	..	158	91	356	164
South Africa, Union of ..	1,819	583	693	160	151	75	56	14
Other C'wealth Countries	50	19	..	..	38	18	100	34
Austria ..	1,850	674	2,487	626	45	23	93	86
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	49,061	11,242	53,481	7,782	1,862	675	1,141	284
China (Mainland) ..	260	100	3,392	917	7,796	5,062	5,239	2,546
Columbia ..	35	13	14	5	439	260	306	110
Czechoslovakia ..	8,333	3,116	8,795	2,299	1,301	718	22	8
Denmark ..	25	8	33	8	950	406	401	95
Formosa ..	..	..	..	..	383	226	900	395
France ..	107,918	32,646	78,517	15,939	3,758	1,576	2,447	605
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	38,864	12,498	27,718	5,845	6,525	2,756	4,584	1,255
Greece ..	15	6	112	30	596	287	644	168
Iran ..	40	13	115	35	171	99	428	146
Italy ..	67,829	21,388	43,441	9,936	4,024	1,529	4,611	1,063
Japan ..	96,802	37,993	121,933	31,442	1,194	570	4,348	1,099
Korea, Republic of ..	7	3	52	22	584	426	2,422	1,258
Lebanon ..	158	57	467	119	..	..	..	..
Mexico ..	2,357	982	5,519	1,618	216	108	517	152
Netherlands ..	939	312	553	106	804	319	800	189
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	55	24	92	26
Poland ..	15,952	6,477	17,175	4,808	15	7	33	8
Portugal ..	1,612	599	1,525	357	346	153	667	157
Romania ..	1,146	396	550	139	25	14	..	..
Spain ..	4,286	1,543	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sweden ..	820	266	..	..	430	173	439	126
Switzerland ..	3,189	999	1,362	289	411	199	358	115
Turkey ..	..	..	2,017	537	..	..	17	6
United States of America	10,863	3,956	13,852	2,994	9,549	3,645	7,572	1,916
Yugoslavia ..	2,752	1,073	3,240	931	50	23	90	23
Other Foreign Countries	4,145	1,438	969	224	260	155	509	239
For Orders ..	6,847	2,228	8,365	1,805	1,844	779	1,262	312
Total ..	558,580	181,811	549,944	121,811	58,740	26,654	58,990	17,870
New South Wales ..	193,033	62,141	189,051	41,760	14,876	5,873	14,948	3,723
Victoria ..	134,649	44,736	143,223	32,687	14,910	5,898	14,252	3,523
Queensland ..	101,248	35,775	88,459	20,843	6,623	2,888	5,436	1,520
South Australia ..	65,922	18,957	66,805	13,411	3,820	1,684	3,124	802
Western Australia ..	58,632	18,570	58,219	12,124	9,232	4,327	9,080	2,585
Tasmania ..	5,096	1,632	4,187	986	5	1	20	3
Total ..	558,580	181,811	549,944	121,811	(a)49,466	(a)20,671	(a)46,860	(a)12,161

(a) Excludes exports of wool tops and noils. State details are not available for publication.

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Products of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—*continued.*

Country of Consignment and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1957.		1958.		1957.		1958.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.
	SHEEP AND LAMB SKINS (a)				LEAD (Pig).			
United Kingdom ..	4,698	823	6,348	695	32,416	3,398	27,549	2,360
India ..	..	..	3	..	2,559	289	2,085	179
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	2,597	291	2,892	260
South Africa, Union of..	3	..	2	1	60	6	890	78
Other C'wealth Countries	51	12	6	1	12	2	194	16
Belgium-Luxemburg ..	1,073	253	454	56	302	32	976	86
France ..	46,910	9,540	47,388	5,221	..	..	601	50
Italy ..	2,640	669	3,355	436	600	61	..	..
Japan ..	..	..	..	..	5,497	638	534	52
Netherlands ..	509	76	1,535	129	39	5	1,257	107
United States of America	420	46	16 (b)	110	25,176	2,646	29,384	2,772
Other Foreign Countries	2,026	456	4,639	531	8,623	943	2,841	251
New South Wales ..	16,061	3,326	18,566	2,126	339	42	309	29
Victoria ..	21,578	4,317	23,361	2,664	293	31	415	35
Queensland ..	2,633	502	3,494	356	8	2	8	1
South Australia ..	10,295	2,100	10,577	1,112	77,241	8,236	68,188	6,137
Western Australia ..	5,434	1,127	5,229	619	..	..	267	8
Tasmania ..	2,329	503	2,519	303	..	..	16	1
Total ..	58,330	11,875	63,746	7,180	77,881	8,311	69,203	6,211

(a) Excludes quantities of pickled skins from 1st July, 1958.  
the value of pickled skins for which no weight was recorded.

(b) Includes £108,000 representing

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

## SECTION V.—TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of shipping for the years 1947-48 to 1956-57 appear in *Transport and Communication*, Bulletin No. 48, pages 47-57.

### OVERSEA SHIPPING—ENTRANCES AND CLEARANCES, AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Entrances.				Clearances.			
	With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.		With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.	
	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.
1952-53 ..	1,546	7,312	1,988	8,704	1,582	6,504	2,053	8,867
1953-54 ..	1,647	7,736	2,054	8,882	1,507	6,179	2,074	8,851
1954-55 ..	1,943	9,162	2,245	9,939	1,491	6,157	2,260	10,064
1955-56 ..	2,054	10,095	2,425	11,228	1,697	6,886	2,457	11,096
1956-57 ..	2,068	10,112	2,628	11,815	1,989	7,870	2,662	11,845
1957-58 ..	2,210	10,985	2,657	12,408	1,917	7,927	2,608	12,154
Six months ended—								
December, 1957..	1,066	5,210	1,326	6,038	968	3,956	1,282	5,860
December, 1958..	1,124	5,686	1,323	6,308	1,029	4,196	1,382	6,457

### OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED. (’000.)

NOTE.—Part of the cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately. “1 ton measurement” equals 40 cubic feet.

State or Territory, and Year.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1957.								
New South Wales ..	2,616	142	2,125	601	2,051	157	924	218
Victoria ..	1,352	134	2,375	516	675	193	592	256
Queensland ..	615	81	199	103	414	34	821	73
South Australia ..	1,238	73	251	139	2,176	53	990	60
Western Australia ..	201	87	1,812	65	772	38	820	83
Tasmania ..	346	143	130	16	244	165	36	4
Northern Territory ..	27	7	33	..	1	..	6	..
Australia ..	6,395	667	6,425	1,440	6,333	640	4,189	694
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.								
New South Wales ..	2,676	122	2,491	546	2,005	124	939	196
Victoria ..	1,297	177	2,583	498	593	193	687	265
Queensland ..	599	91	207	102	385	27	903	60
South Australia ..	1,081	63	216	137	2,148	34	631	69
Western Australia ..	154	89	1,552	73	785	26	812	83
Tasmania ..	393	100	115	14	334	118	47	13
Northern Territory ..	43	..	24	..	2	..	1	..
Australia ..	6,243	642	7,188	1,370	6,252	522	4,020	686
TOTAL								
Total 1957-58 ..	12,621	1,336	13,719	2,914	12,614	1,157	7,365	1,489
“ 1956-57 ..	11,862	1,284	12,596	2,752	11,899	1,290	8,734	1,379
“ 1955-56 ..	11,184	1,572	12,431	3,421	11,632	1,315	6,667	1,546
“ 1954-55 ..	10,136	1,621	10,992	3,403	10,213	1,472	6,083	1,420
“ 1953-54 ..	9,059	1,790	8,520	2,812	9,105	1,539	5,765	1,355
“ 1952-53 ..	8,995	1,492	7,733	1,929	8,447	1,275	6,045	1,452

# OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 31st DECEMBER, 1958.

(These rates are expressed in sterling.)

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

## FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator)—						
United Kingdom .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	10s. 2½d. per box (56 lb.).
Continent .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	10s. 9d. " " "
Cheese (Refrigerator) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2½d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	30s. per ton measurement.
Meats—						
Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—						
Beef .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3½d. per lb.
Lamb .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3½d. " "
Mutton .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3½d. " "
Rabbits and Hares .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	237s. " ton measurement.
Preserved in tins .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
Sausage Casings—(dried)—cases or casks .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	321s. 6d. " " "
Milk and Cream (condensed) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "

## FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

Sugar (Refined) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	32s. per ton weight.
Jams .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	161s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Jellies .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
Dried Fruits .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	161s. 6d. " " "
Fruits, Fresh (Refrigerator)—						
Apples .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	12s. 6d. per bushel case.
Citrus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	12s. 6d. " " "
Grain and Pulse, unprepared—						
Wheat—						
Charter .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	90s. per ton weight.
Parcels .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	90s. " " "
Barley .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	105s. " " "
Oats .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	117s. 6d. " " "
Maize .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	110s. " " "
Grain and Pulse, prepared—						
Flour, Wheaten .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	105s. " " "
Bran .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	125s. " " "
Pollard .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	117s. 6d. " " "
Rice (clean, husked) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	110s. " " "

WINE .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. per ton measurement.
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## ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—						
Calf .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb. (dry in bales).
Sheep .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3½d. " "
Rabbit .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	4½d. " "
Other .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	4½d. " "
Pearl-shell .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. per ton measurement
Wool—						
Greasy .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3.39d. per lb. less 7%.
Scoured and Washed .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	4.26d. " "
Tops .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	4.06d. per lb. (net). "

## VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

Compressed Fodder .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. per ton measurement.
Bark, Tanning .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
Copra .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	33s. " " "
Raw Cotton (in bales) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2½d. per lb. "

## APPAREL, TEXTILES AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—

Apparel and Attire (Effects) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	319s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	359s. per ton weight.

## OILS, FATS AND WAXES—

Oil—						
Coconut .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	230s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Eucalyptus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
Fusel .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	326s. " " "
Whale .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	230s. 6d. " weight.
Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	230s. 6d. " measurement

PAINTS AND VARNISHES .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	204s. per ton measurement.
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**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and  
Continent at 31st December, 1958—continued.**

**(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)**

ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—					
Ore in Casks, Bags or Drums	..	..	..	..	117s. 6d. per ton weight.
Zinc—					
Ingots	..	..	..	..	100s. " " "
Dust (in cases)	..	..	..	..	481s. " " "
Sheet (in cases)	..	..	..	..	211s. " " "
Copper (ingots)	..	..	..	..	120s. " " "
Lead	..	..	..	..	107s. 6d. " " "
Steel—					
Billets (up to 30 feet)	..	..	..	..	100s. " " "
Tyres	..	..	..	..	181s. 6d. " " "
Tin Clippings hydraulically pressed	..	..	..	..	102s. 6d. " " "
LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES					
THEREFOR—					
Leather	..	..	..	..	448s. per ton weight.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—					
Timber—					
Logs up to 40-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	70s. 10d. per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	76s. 1d. " " "
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	81s. 8d. " " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	37s. 6d. " " "
EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA AND GLASS	..	..	..	..	204s. per ton measurement.
STATIONERY	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS—					
Fertilizers	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
MISCELLANEOUS—					
Soap	..	..	..	..	204s. " " "
Casein	..	..	..	..	323s. " " weight in bags.
SPECIE	..	..	..	..	15s. per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES.  
GENERAL CARGO, 31st DECEMBER, 1958.**

**(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)**

(These rates are expressed in Australian currency unless otherwise footnoted.)

To—	From—				
	Brisbane.	Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Sydney.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Brisbane	..	148 0	..	177 6	..
Sydney	..	..	..	146 0	..
Melbourne	..	146 0	..	..	..
Adelaide	..	162 6	..	127 0	..
Fremantle	..	(a) 196 6	..	176 6	..
Hobart	..	(b) 173 6	..	131 0	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	..	(b) 187 0	..	115 0	..
Darwin	..	239 6	..	276 0	..
Auckland(c)	..	157 0	(d) 245 10	150 0	232 6
Wellington(c)	..	(d) 157 0	..	(d) 150 0	(d) 232 6
Lyttleton(c)	..	157 0	(d) 245 10	150 0	232 6
Dunedin(c)	..	157 0	(d) 245 10	150 0	232 6
New Hebrides—Villa	..	260 0	..	..	235 0
Norfolk Island	..	240 0	..	..	265 0
Papua—					
Port Moresby	..	230 0	..	230 0	..
Samarai	..	230 0	..	230 0	..
Territory of New Guinea—					
Lae and Madang	..	260 0	..	260 0	..
Rabaul	..	240 0	..	240 0	..

(a) Plus 20s. per ton if trans-shipped. (b) Trans-shipped at Sydney. (c) Rates expressed in sterling. (d) Plus Wellington Harbour Improvement Charges.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Government Railways for the years 1947–48 to 1956–57 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 48, pages 5–21.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

System.	1952–53.	1953–54.	1954–55.	1955–56.	1956–57.	1957–58.
ROUTE-MILEAGE OPEN AT END OF YEAR.						
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,258	2,252
New South Wales ..	6,113	6,101	6,102	6,103	6,103	6,103
Victoria ..	4,660	4,482	4,451	4,445	4,408	4,401
Queensland(a) ..	6,560	6,560	6,553	6,456	6,456	6,456
South Australia ..	2,553	2,564	2,564	2,564	2,544	2,533
Western Australia ..	4,108	4,111	4,111	4,119	4,117	4,117
Tasmania ..	605	605	605	585	585	565
Australia ..	26,800	26,624	26,587	26,473	26,471	26,427

REVENUE TRAIN-MILES.  
(‘000.)

Commonwealth ..	1,738	1,953	2,029	2,336	2,136	1,910
New South Wales ..	36,289	37,506	37,294	38,478	37,030	35,020
Victoria ..	17,690	18,303	18,740	18,635	18,544	18,353
Queensland(a) ..	18,563	19,241	19,637	19,289	20,054	19,032
South Australia ..	7,199	7,359	7,216	7,113	7,188	7,081
Western Australia ..	5,255	7,204	7,769	8,278	8,278	7,327
Tasmania ..	1,990	1,898	2,066	2,105	1,855	1,568
Australia ..	88,724	93,464	94,751	96,234	95,085	90,291

PASSENGER-JOURNEYS.(b)  
(‘000.)

Commonwealth ..	190	224	215	230	213	238
New South Wales ..	271,699	278,904	281,417	280,470	264,137	258,651
Victoria ..	162,857	166,106	169,204	166,708	167,405	167,662
Queensland(a) ..	35,819	35,879	35,919	35,647	34,270	33,665
South Australia ..	17,565	17,605	16,849	16,434	17,407	17,564
Western Australia ..	6,339	8,678	10,139	12,271	13,271	14,106
Tasmania ..	3,151	3,285	3,114	2,977	2,813	2,444
Australia ..	497,620	510,631	516,857	514,737	499,516	494,330

GOODS AND LIVESTOCK CARRIED.  
(‘000 Tons.)

Commonwealth ..	660	762	816	918	1,069	1,259
New South Wales(c)	19,121	20,140	19,386	18,787	18,791	18,468
Victoria ..	9,192	9,200	10,082	9,607	9,381	8,892
Queensland(a) ..	7,351	8,081	8,492	8,180	8,453	7,766
South Australia ..	4,147	4,433	4,474	4,414	4,498	4,146
Western Australia ..	2,619	3,206	3,407	3,793	4,223	3,589
Tasmania ..	897	968	1,041	1,075	1,061	1,096
Australia ..	43,987	46,790	47,698	46,774	47,476	45,216

(a) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge Line (69 route-miles).  
 (b) Based on ticket sales, allowances being made for periodical tickets. Except in Tasmania, concession tickets are counted as full journeys.  
 (c) Includes an estimate for livestock.

## Government Railways—continued.

System.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.
GROSS REVENUE.(a) (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	2,710	3,402	3,741	4,741	4,961	5,346
New South Wales ..	72,676	74,569	73,361	75,386	78,689	74,432
Victoria ..	31,864	35,707	37,667	37,032	37,352	35,954
Queensland(b) ..	25,985	30,223	31,625	31,312	36,678	34,637
South Australia ..	11,891	12,718	12,939	13,098	13,771	13,160
Western Australia ..	7,667	11,111	12,315	13,080	13,859	12,788
Tasmania ..	2,039	2,133	2,322	2,535	2,534	2,569
Australia ..	154,832	169,863	173,970	177,184	187,844	178,886

WORKING EXPENSES. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	2,728	2,897	2,921	3,176	3,597	3,611
New South Wales ..	66,452	68,197	68,397	74,904	75,352	72,533
Victoria ..	34,008	35,951	37,032	38,026	39,118	38,174
Queensland(b) ..	27,979	29,103	30,946	33,873	37,790	36,895
South Australia ..	15,013	14,934	15,414	15,761	15,977	15,953
Western Australia ..	12,510	14,298	14,690	15,920	17,076	16,091
Tasmania ..	2,864	2,804	3,077	3,262	3,447	3,218
Australia ..	161,554	168,184	172,477	184,922	192,357	186,475

NET REVENUE. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	— 18	505	820	1,565	1,364	1,735
New South Wales ..	6,224	6,372	4,964	482	3,337	1,899
Victoria ..	— 2,144	— 244	635	— 994	— 1,766	— 2,220
Queensland(b) ..	— 1,994	1,120	679	— 2,561	— 1,112	— 2,258
South Australia ..	— 3,122	— 2,216	— 2,475	— 2,663	— 2,206	— 2,793
Western Australia ..	— 4,843	— 3,187	— 2,375	— 2,840	— 3,217	— 3,303
Tasmania ..	— 825	— 671	— 755	— 727	— 913	— 649
Australia ..	— 6,722	1,679	1,493	— 7,738	— 4,513	— 7,589

RATIO OF WORKING EXPENSES TO GROSS REVENUE.  
(PER CENT.)

Commonwealth ..	100.66	85.14	78.09	66.99	72.50	67.55
New South Wales ..	91.44	91.45	93.23	99.36	95.76	97.45
Victoria ..	106.73	100.68	98.31	102.68	104.73	106.17
Queensland(b) ..	103.67	96.30	97.85	108.18	103.03	106.52
South Australia ..	126.26	117.42	119.12	120.33	116.03	121.23
Western Australia ..	163.18	128.68	119.29	121.71	123.21	125.83
Tasmania ..	140.44	131.48	132.50	128.69	136.01	125.24
Australia ..	104.34	99.01	99.14	104.36	102.40	104.24

(a) Excludes Government Grants.  
Uniform Gauge line (69 route-miles).

(b) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

## Government Railways—continued.

The table on this page is prepared from quarterly statements supplied by each Government Railway, and figures therein are not completely comparable with those shown in preceding pages which are derived, in the main, from the Annual Reports of the Government Railways.)

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.(b)	Tas.	Total.
THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1957.								
Route Miles open ..	2,258	6,103	4,425	6,387	2,551	4,117	585	26,426
Train-miles '000	503	9,109	4,596	5,226	1,844	1,866	425	23,569
Revenue (c)—								
Coaching (Passen- gers, Parcels, Mails, etc.) £'000	262	6,209	3,079	1,488	453	383	46	11,920
Goods, including Livestock and Minerals ..	1,115	13,010	5,078	8,481	2,872	2,606	586	33,748
Miscellaneous ..	107	175	637	(d)	221	248	16	1,404
Total Revenue (c) ..	1,484	19,394	8,794	9,969	3,546	3,237	643	47,072
Working Expenses £'000	983	18,484	10,033	9,504	(e) 4,114	3,679	776	47,573
Net Revenue .. £'000	501	910	—1,239	465	—568	—442	—123	—501
Ratio of Working Ex- penses to Revenue %	66.22	95.31	114.09	95.34	116.03	113.68	119.66	101.06
Revenue per Train-mile	58s. 0d.	42s. 7d.	38s. 3d.	38s. 2d.	38s. 6d.	34s. 8d.	30s. 6d.	39s. 11d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	39s. 1d.	40s. 7d.	43s. 8d.	36s. 5d.	44s. 8d.	39s. 5d.	36s. 5d.	40s. 4d.
Passenger-journeys '000	59	65,967	42,966	9,432	4,344	3,712	569	127,049
Freight Carried—								
Livestock '000 tons	24 (f)	162	109	231	52	38	6	622
Coal and Coke ..	192	4,697	640	465	37	146	79	11,534
Other Min- erals ..	24		1,366	221	338	69		
Other Goods ..	102			1,651	720	593		
Total Freight ..	342	4,859	2,115	2,568	1,147	846	279	12,156

## THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1958.

Route Miles open ..	2,258	6,103	4,402	6,387	2,533	4,117	565	26,365	
Train-miles '000	506	8,870	4,573	5,230	1,723	1,813	391	23,106	
Revenue(c)—									
Coaching (Passen- gers, Parcels, Mails, etc.) £'000	267	6,183	3,130	1,514	479	387	45	12,005	
Goods, including Livestock and Minerals ..	1,104	12,352	5,336	8,552	2,444	2,462	588	32,838	
Miscellaneous ..	93	137	672	(d)	196	235	18	1,351	
Total Revenue(c) ..	1,464	18,672	9,138	10,066	3,119	3,084	651	46,194	
Working Expenses £'000	707	17,856	9,523	9,142	(e) 3,912	3,715	735	45,795	
Net Revenue .. £'000	557	816	390	924	793	631	84	399	
Ratio of Working Ex- penses to Revenue %	61.94	95.63	104.27	90.82	125.43	120.46	112.96	99.14	
Revenue per Train-mile	57s. 10d.	42s. 1d.	40s. 0d.	38s. 6d.	36s. 2d.	34s. 0d.	33s. 4d.	40s. 0d.	
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	35s. 10d.	40s. 3d.	41s. 8d.	35s. 0d.	45s. 5d.	41s. 0d.	37s. 8d.	39s. 8d.	
Passenger-journeys '000	67	64,239	42,734	9,441	4,072	3,751	583	124,887	
Freight Carried—									
Livestock '000 tons	33 (f)	167	112	280	49	34	5	680	
Coal and Coke ..	207	4,635	645	439	35	146	82	11,453	
Other Min- erals ..	30		1,489	233	312	68	199		
Other Goods ..	102			1,726	573	532			
Total Freight ..	372	4,802	2,246	2,678	969	780	286	12,133	

(a) Excludes South Brisbane—Border section of the Uniform Gauge Line (69 route-miles).  
 (b) Financial details include road motors. (c) Excludes Government grants. (d) Included with  
 Coaching. (e) Includes depreciation. (f) Estimated.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Electric Tramways and Motor Omnibus Services for the years 1947-48 to 1956-57 appear in *Transport and Communication*, Bulletin No. 48, pages 22-28.

## ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS, AND TROLLEY BUSES.

State and Year.	Route-mileage Open at 30th June.	Car-miles.	Passenger-journeys.	Gross Revenue. (a)	Working Expenses. (b)	Net Revenue.
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1957-58—						
New South Wales	69	10,500	116,016	4,405	5,013	— 608
Victoria ..	170	21,896	203,943	6,324	6,487	— 163
Queensland ..	85	8,814	97,269	(c) 2,331	(c) 2,220	(c) 111
South Australia ..	60	4,684	24,551	1,019	1,333	— 314
Western Australia	26	1,416	10,300	350	453	— 103
Tasmania ..	47	(d) 4,266	(d) 27,228	(d) 806	(d) 919	(d) — 113
Total ..	457	(d) 51,576	d 479,307	cd 15,235	cd 16,425	(cd) — 1,190
Total—1956-57	493	(d) 57,622	(d) 534,707	(cd) 17,267	(cd) 18,147	(cd) — 880
1955-56	518	58,881	593,284	15,878	18,558	— 2,680
1954-55	525	60,878	619,279	15,267	17,797	— 2,530
1953-54	527	64,186	637,289	15,780	18,181	— 2,401
1952-53	530	66,185	652,987	15,968	18,420	— 2,452

(a) Excludes Government grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Excludes particulars of the Brisbane City Council Trolley Bus Service, details of which are included with motor omnibus services. (d) Includes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Municipal Council Omnibus services.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

## GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICES.

State or Territory and Year.	Route-mileage at 30th June.	Omnibus-mileage.	Passenger-journeys.	Gross Revenue.(a)	Working Expenses.(b)
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1957-58—					
New South Wales ..	514	35,134	194,071	8,510	9,501
Victoria .. ..	99	5,940	34,577	1,157	1,482
Queensland .. ..	423	5,587	30,121	(c) 1,040	(c) 1,256
South Australia ..	82	6,779	35,532	1,475	1,535
Western Australia ..	2,934	7,676	25,359	1,056	1,150
Tasmania .. ..	702	(d) 836	(d) 314	(d) 153	(d) 145
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	49	965	3,449	141	211
Total .. ..	4,803	(d) 62,917	(d) 323,423	(cd) 13,532	(cd) 15,280
Total 1956-57	4,869	(d) 58,525	(d) 294,568	(cd) 12,206	(cd) 13,811
1955-56	4,571	57,809	333,761	9,592	12,970
1954-55	4,492	57,513	346,749	9,613	12,063
1953-54	4,612	56,894	339,578	8,853	11,387
1952-53	4,562	55,382	334,907	9,320	11,465

(a) Excludes Government grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Includes particulars of Brisbane City Council Trolley Bus Services. (d) Excludes particulars of the Hobart and Launceston Municipal Council Omnibus Services.

NOTE:—Further details of Motor Vehicle Registrations, etc., appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 48 and the Monthly and Annual Bulletin of Registrations of New Motor Vehicles.

Defence Service vehicles are excluded from registrations. Prior to January, 1956, Department of Navy vehicles were included.

### MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES AND GROSS REVENUE.

State or Territory and Year.	Registrations at 30th June. (Number.)				Drivers' and Riders' Licences in Force at 30th June.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars. (a)	Commercial Vehicles etc.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders', etc., Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						£	£	£	£
1957-58.									
New South Wales	554,488	270,344	34,581	859,413	1,149,472	10,491,728	1,189,197	1,626,582	13,307,508
Victoria(b) ..	562,362	161,119	24,353	747,834	879,779	8,816,380	439,906	2,446,367	11,702,653
Queensland ..	206,260	138,736	20,193	365,189	(c)	4,850,481	150,729	1,031,083	6,032,293
South Australia	173,236	67,755	18,742	259,733	306,932	3,393,089	354,737	87,138	3,834,964
Western Australia	110,573	66,236	12,827	189,636	241,212	1,990,860	147,682	133,453	2,271,995
Tasmania ..	56,877	24,025	4,018	84,920	99,946	1,022,494	69,129	140,295	1,231,918
Northern Territory ..	3,078	3,965	718	7,761	8,821	40,664	6,380	922	47,966
Australian Capital Territory ..	8,764	2,991	451	12,206	17,166	93,255	9,924	1,664	104,843
Total ..	1675638	735,171	115,883	2,526,692	2,703,328	30,698,951	2,367,684	5,467,505	38,534,140
1956-57	1564335	707,107	119,963	2,391,405	2,257,589	27,378,930	2,205,412	4,802,837	34,387,188
1955-56	1467252	683,396	125,600	2,276,248	2,245,724	24,437,761	1,874,106	3,385,800	29,697,667
1954-55	1341996	654,674	133,029	2,129,699	2,229,585	22,951,527	1,757,244	3,763,924	28,472,695
1953-54	1195133	611,580	140,614	1,947,327	2,214,811	20,450,179	1,579,110	4,382,204	26,411,493
1952-53(e)	1102959	584,341	147,639	1,834,939	2,288,370	18,779,761	1,350,208	3,761,246	23,891,215

(a) Includes hire cars and taxis.

(b) See note (a) in table below.

(c) Not available.

(d) Excludes Queensland.

(e) Registrations exclude the Northern Territory.

### MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS. (Number.)

Vehicles and Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1958.									
Motor Cars(b) ..	575,803	582,340	215,661	179,216	114,685	58,351	3,460	9,597	1,739,113
Commercial Vehicles, etc. ..	280,487	164,538	140,480	68,511	66,759	24,187	4,128	3,159	752,249
Motor Cycles ..	33,863	24,201	20,216	18,836	12,935	3,782	748	465	115,046
Total ..	890,153	771,079	376,357	266,563	194,379	86,320	8,336	13,221	2,606,408
At 30th June, 1958 ..	859,413	747,834	365,189	259,733	189,636	84,920	7,761	12,206	2,526,692
" " " 1957 ..	807,088	708,582	345,084	250,207	182,944	80,000	6,657	10,843	2,391,405
" " " 1956 ..	762,950	677,916	326,555	238,701	178,353	76,153	5,547	10,073	2,276,248
" " " 1955 ..	709,036	629,147	307,721	229,502	168,787	71,673	4,999	8,834	2,129,699
" " " 1954 ..	654,557	559,246	284,207	218,412	153,917	65,362	3,823	7,803	1,947,327

(a) Registration in Victoria is according to purpose of use and not type of vehicle; consequently motor car registrations are overstated by the inclusion of commercial vehicles registered for private use.

(b) Includes hire cars and taxis.

### REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES. (Number.)

Vehicles and Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1958.									
Motor Cars(b) ..	30,923	28,656	11,273	8,678	5,432	2,902	226	899	89,039
Commercial Vehicles, etc. ..	16,821	7,526	5,477	2,989	2,519	1,024	178	189	36,723
Motor Cycles ..	1,401	1,137	881	553	940	94	23	55	5,084
Total ..	49,195	37,319	17,631	12,220	8,891	4,020	427	1,143	130,846
Total 1957-58 ..	87,712	71,773	32,845	23,333	17,412	7,505	728	1,671	242,979
1956-57 ..	76,895	63,423	30,620	22,832	14,931	7,629	736	1,251	218,317
1955-56 ..	85,039	72,753	32,689	25,896	16,462	8,425	620	1,556	243,440
1954-55 ..	84,554	69,243	34,116	27,248	19,677	8,483	588	1,362	245,271
1953-54 ..	67,987	50,904	28,455	21,162	16,864	7,133	420	932	193,857

(a) See Note (a) in table above.

(b) Includes hire cars and taxis.

NOTE.—Particulars of New Motor Vehicles registered, as shown above, are compiled by the Registration Authorities in each State, and because of the factors referred to in note (a) and for other reasons, differ from those published in the Monthly Bulletin of Registrations of New Motor Vehicles and the Monthly Press Statement.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Civil Aviation for the years 1947–48 to 1956–57 appear in *Transport and Communication* Bulletin No. 48, pages 29–32.

### CIVIL AVIATION. Australian Registrations, Licences, Aerodromes, Etc.

Particulars.	At 30th June.				At 30th September.	
	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
Registered Aircraft Owners ..	414	437	485	570	492	584
Registered Aircraft ..	887	934	1,054	1,180	1,061	1,198
Pilots' Licences—						
Private .. .. .	2,245	2,453	2,592	2,628	2,632	2,653
Student .. .. .	3,193	3,272	3,397	3,498	3,419	3,538
Commercial .. ..	582	665	829	963	850	1,003
Airline Transport ..	963	1,003	1,027	1,045	1,026	1,051
Flight Navigators' Licences ..	161	177	187	176	195	176
Radio Operators' Licences ..	1,344	1,461	1,643	1,886	1,373	2,042
Flight Engineers' Licences ..	98	94	116	176	156	179
Aircraft Maintenance Engi- neers' Licences .. ..	1,747	1,818	1,915	2,016	1,899	2,045
Aerodromes—						
Government .. ..	185	188	169	168	170	168
Licensed .. .. .	303	301	313	311	314	312
Flying Boat Bases and Alighting Areas .. ..	13	13	13	13	13	13

### Australian Airline Operations, Etc.

Particulars.	1954–55.	1955–56.	1956–57.	1957–58.	Three Months ended 30th September.	
					1957.	1958.

#### REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES.

Hours flown .. No.	257,787	251,900	251,139	237,981	60,384	60,428
Miles flown .. '000.	43,513	43,701	42,120	40,533	10,271	10,465
Paying passengers .. No.	1,918,125	2,020,380	2,125,338	2,122,794	512,005	523,967
Paying passenger-miles '000.	765,652	827,885	891,196	898,542	220,816	227,575
Freight—						
Tons(a) .. .. .	78,711	84,446	75,092	70,003	18,336	17,085
Ton-miles(a) .. '000.	36,984	38,909	36,330	32,987	9,203	7,802
Mail—						
Tons(a) .. .. .	2,317	2,478	2,514	2,642	765	769
Ton-miles(a) .. '000.	1,257	1,357	1,404	1,446	398	434

#### OVERSEA SERVICES.(b)

Unduplicated route miles No.	(c) 63,774	(c) 58,618	(c) 62,675	(c) 71,729	(d) 64,280	(d) 71,729
Hours flown .. .. .	49,326	50,665	56,939	63,917	14,721	17,022
Miles flown .. .. .	11,128	12,028	13,614	15,267	3,548	4,003
Paying passengers .. No.	114,371	131,934	155,618	164,634	36,274	40,837
Paying-passenger-miles '000.	317,565	383,930	476,831	501,388	120,740	141,856
Freight—						
Tons(a) .. .. .	2,662	2,990	2,957	3,205	801	919
Ton-miles(a) .. '000.	9,372	10,494	11,203	12,051	3,542	3,603
Mail—						
Tons(a) .. .. .	1,442	1,491	1,622	1,749	416	508
Ton-miles(a) .. '000.	7,927	8,458	9,450	9,789	2,342	2,154

#### AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT (e) ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES.

Number .. .. .	22	31	37	35	7	9
Persons Killed .. ..	27	22	24	28	5	2
Persons Injured .. ..	19	27	36	31	5	9

(a) In terms of short tons (2,000 lb.). (b) Airlines wholly owned or partly owned by Australian interests. (c) At 30th June. (d) At 30th September. (e) Aircraft on Australian Register and gliders irrespective of location of accident.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones for the years 1947-48 to 1956-57 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 48, on pages 58-73. Further details of Road Traffic Accidents are included on pages 40-46 of that Bulletin.

### TELEPHONES—LINES AND INSTRUMENTS CONNECTED. (Number.)

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 31st December—	
	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1957.	1958.
Lines connected ..	1,127,386	1,206,625	1,278,871	1,361,924	1,318,630	1,404,375
Instruments connected ..	1,587,082	1,703,622	1,814,430	1,936,960	1,873,791	1,998,704

### BROADCASTING—LISTENERS' LICENCES.

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1953 ..	742,002	533,329	282,333	212,104	145,141	70,741	1,985,655
" " 1954 ..	769,478	545,148	287,683	220,065	148,192	71,047	2,041,618
" " 1955 ..	746,050	549,690	293,542	223,593	150,199	71,602	2,034,676
" " 1956 ..	776,284	554,339	301,371	228,625	153,445	74,729	2,088,793
" " 1957 ..	777,072	554,909	312,527	234,120	155,166	73,459	2,107,253
" " 1958 ..	784,897	557,960	320,626	238,916	159,551	75,915	2,187,865
31st Dec., 1958	803,448	590,223	329,623	244,622	164,421	77,175	2,209,517

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

### TELEVISION—VIEWERS' LICENCES.

In force at—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Tasmania.	Total.
30th June, 1957 ..	28,912	44,985	11	73,908
30th September, 1957 ..	50,563	69,070	18	119,651
31st December, 1957 ..	74,627	91,922	27	166,576
31st March, 1958 ..	106,085	114,097	39	220,221
30th June, 1958 ..	143,422	147,721	43	291,186
30th September, 1958 ..	198,522	191,492	45	390,059
31st December, 1958 ..	232,473	222,172	51	454,696

### ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.(a) (Reported to the Police.)

State or Territory, and Period.	Accidents in- volving Casual- ties.	Persons Killed.			Persons Injured.		
		Number.	Per Million of Popu- lation.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.	Number.	Per Million of Popu- lation.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.
TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1958.							
New South Wales .. ..	14,646	794	217	95	19,878	5,297	2,324
Victoria .. ..	9,536	571	211	78	13,035	4,815	1,789
Queensland .. ..	6,565	342	244	96	8,739	6,228	2,455
South Australia .. ..	4,372	200	226	78	5,492	6,199	2,147
Western Australia .. ..	3,338	164	235	89	4,249	6,083	2,301
Tasmania .. ..	779	70	210	84	1,000	2,993	1,206
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	237	5	127	44	320	8,146	2,790
Total .. ..	39,473	2,146	221	87	52,213	5,368	2,129
Year 1957-58(b) .. ..	39,473	2,146	221	87	52,213	5,368	2,129
„ 1956-57(b) .. ..	39,066	2,113	222	90	50,450	5,301	2,158
„ 1955-56(b) .. ..	37,766	2,119	228	96	48,773	5,245	2,209
„ 1954-55(b) .. ..	36,602	2,042	225	99	46,465	5,121	2,264
„ 1953-54(b) .. ..	35,523	1,976	222	105	44,629	5,013	2,377

(a) Refers to those accidents (reported to the police) which occurred in public thoroughfares and which resulted in death or in bodily injury to any person to an extent requiring medical or surgical treatment.

(b) Excludes the Northern Territory.

## SECTION VI.—RETAIL SALES.

## TOTAL RETAIL SALES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS.(a)

(Adjusted on a Basis Comparable with the 1952-53 Retail Census.)

The figures in the tables below relate to the retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals etc.) by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards). The figures for the year 1952-53 were obtained from the Census taken in respect of that year whereas figures for the other periods shown are estimates based on sample surveys. Details by States exclude Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.

(£ million.)

Particulars.	1952-53. (b)	1955-56. (c)	1956-57. (c)	1957-58. (c)	Three months ended June.	
					1957.(c)	1958.(c)

## STATES.

New South Wales ..	674.7	859.8	888.2	943.6	223.6	232.2
Victoria ..	476.3	609.7	642.7	673.8	160.6	168.2
Queensland ..	224.9	290.4	307.3	322.2	76.9	79.5
South Australia ..	143.7	185.1	190.5	195.2	47.4	48.3
Western Australia ..	127.3	155.2	158.9	169.0	40.7	42.3
Tasmania ..	55.2	68.3	71.5	73.1	17.8	18.2
Total ..	1,702.1	2,168.5	2,259.1	2,376.9	567.0	588.7

## COMMODITY GROUPS.

Groceries.. ..	261.5	335.9	352.0	372.6	88.3	94.4
Butchers' Meat ..	127.8	158.6	170.8	174.0	43.6	44.3
Other Food(d) ..	206.8	268.7	280.6	295.0	70.1	72.8
Total Foodstuffs ..	596.1	763.2	803.4	841.6	202.0	211.5
Beer, Wine and Spirits ..	173.0	219.7	235.6	247.7	57.5	58.3
Clothing, Drapery, Piece Goods and Footwear ..	355.1	437.6	442.8	457.7	116.5	119.9
Hardware, China and Glass- ware(e) ..	113.8	153.4	154.0	159.0	38.0	38.1
Electrical Goods and Radios(f)	75.8	106.2	113.5	135.8	28.4	32.8
Furniture and Floor Coverings	72.8	92.3	92.7	98.4	22.6	23.9
Other Goods(g) ..	315.5	396.1	417.1	436.7	102.0	104.2
Total (excluding Motor Vehicles, etc.) ..	1,702.1	2,168.5	2,259.1	2,376.9	567.0	588.7
Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(h) ..	417.3	630.2	637.6	711.8	164.9	181.1

(a) Excludes sales in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Census figures.  
 (c) Survey figures. Subject to revision. (d) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (e) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks, etc.). (f) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (g) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc. (h) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

**RETAIL SALES : HIRE PURCHASE OPERATIONS OF FINANCE BUSINESSES.**

The statistics in the following tables relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves. Agreements originally made between retailers and customers, and subsequently assigned to finance businesses are excluded from the particulars of agreements made during each quarter, but, from the time of assignment are included in the figures for balances outstanding.

**Balances Outstanding at end of each Quarter.(a)****(Including Hiring Charges and Insurance.)****(£'000.)**

As at—	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1956—30th September ..	80,724	57,748	33,962	22,772	15,276	8,497	218,979
31st December ..	83,730	61,023	36,089	24,751	15,877	9,033	230,503
1957—31st March ..	83,617	61,866	36,608	25,226	15,331	9,049	231,697
30th June ..	85,131	64,045	36,934	25,349	15,488	9,023	235,970
30th September ..	88,364	67,434	37,962	25,800	15,982	8,985	244,527
31st December ..	96,060	74,138	40,286	27,454	17,470	9,457	264,865
1958—31st March ..	102,676	79,481	41,266	27,898	18,060	9,798	279,179
30th June ..	111,170	85,123	42,483	28,761	19,052	9,932	296,521
30th September ..	119,583	89,915	44,361	29,719	19,605	10,109	313,292
31st December ..	129,964	96,455	47,472	31,867	21,201	10,665	337,624

(a) Balances outstanding on existing agreements entered into at any time. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

**Agreements Made during Three months ended 31st December, 1958.**

Particulars of Agreements.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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**MOTOR VEHICLES.**

Number of Agreements ..	37,418	29,198	17,492	11,169	7,240	3,947	106,464
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	28,193	22,205	12,045	7,488	4,911	2,765	77,607
Amount Financed(d) £'000	17,686	14,014	7,330	4,587	3,053	1,695	48,365

**PLANT AND MACHINERY.**

Number of Agreements ..	3,206	2,753	1,324	975	748	229	9,235
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	2,588	1,903	1,040	778	771	127	7,207
Amount Financed(d) £'000	1,674	1,220	669	467	487	81	4,598

**HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.**

Number of Agreements ..	85,724	51,100	44,390	26,760	15,828	4,759	228,561
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	9,759	6,044	2,855	2,094	1,267	383	22,402
Amount Financed(d) £'000	8,032	4,927	2,311	1,773	1,038	301	18,382

**TOTAL (ALL GOODS).**

Number of Agreements ..	126,348	83,051	63,206	38,904	23,816	8,935	344,260
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	40,540	30,152	15,940	10,360	6,949	3,275	107,216
Amount Financed(d) £'000	27,392	20,161	10,310	6,827	4,578	2,077	71,345

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

Retail Sales : Hire Purchase Operations of Finance Businesses—*continued*.

## Agreements Made during each Quarter : Australia.

Period.	Number of Agree- ments.	Value of Goods.(a)		Amount Financed.(b)		Average Pro- portion of Hire Purchase Sale Financed. (b)
		Total.	Average per Agree- ment.	Total.	Average per Agree- ment.	
		£'000.	£	£'000.	£	%
MOTOR VEHICLES.						
Quarterly Average—						
1956-57 .. ..	79,128	56,150	710	34,167	432	61
1957-58 .. ..	89,282	64,258	720	39,277	440	61
Quarterly Total—						
1957—Dec. .. ..	93,340	66,897	717	40,928	438	61
1958—March .. ..	87,452	63,345	724	38,655	442	61
June .. ..	93,486	68,736	735	42,033	450	61
September .. ..	97,977	69,688	711	42,741	436	61
December .. ..	106,464	77,607	729	48,365	454	62
PLANT AND MACHINERY.						
Quarterly Average—						
1956-57 .. ..	5,759	3,685	640	2,306	400	63
1957-58 .. ..	5,822	3,972	682	2,543	437	64
Quarterly Total—						
1957—Dec. .. ..	6,550	4,832	738	3,019	461	62
1958—March .. ..	5,908	3,814	646	2,489	421	65
June .. ..	6,133	3,951	644	2,565	418	65
September .. ..	6,540	4,411	674	2,888	442	65
December .. ..	9,235	7,207	780	4,598	498	64
HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.						
Quarterly Average—						
1956-57 .. ..	172,488	13,344	77	10,705	62	80
1957-58 .. ..	206,041	20,952	102	16,961	82	81
Quarterly Total—						
1957—Dec. .. ..	219,699	21,762	99	17,622	80	81
1958—March .. ..	214,244	22,767	106	18,342	86	81
June .. ..	209,712	22,142	106	18,028	86	81
September .. ..	208,713	21,833	105	17,846	86	82
December .. ..	228,561	22,402	98	18,382	80	82
TOTAL (ALL GOODS).						
Quarterly Average—						
1956-57 .. ..	257,375	73,179	284	47,178	183	64
1957-58 .. ..	301,145	89,182	296	58,781	195	66
Quarterly Total—						
1957—Dec. .. ..	319,589	93,491	293	61,569	193	66
1958—March .. ..	307,604	89,926	292	59,486	193	66
June .. ..	309,331	94,829	307	62,626	202	66
September .. ..	313,230	95,932	306	63,475	203	66
December .. ..	344,260	107,216	311	71,345	207	67

(a) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(b) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

## SECTION VII.—PRIVATE FINANCE.

## CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

## Average Liabilities within Australia.(a)

(£'000.)

Period.	Inter-minable Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks. (b)	Bills Payable and all other Liabilities.	Total Liabilities.
		Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.				

COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

1954-55	..	130,909	43,549	174,458	..	309	16,148	190,915
1955-56	..	135,617	46,243	181,860	..	314	17,498	199,670
1956-57	..	140,125	44,423	184,548	..	389	18,160	203,097
1957-58	..	150,220	54,887	205,057	..	422	19,523	225,002
Quarter ended—								
December, 1957	..	155,488	52,890	208,378	..	426	20,236	229,040
March, 1958	..	149,527	56,013	205,540	..	479	19,074	225,093
June, "	..	152,053	60,205	212,258	..	394	19,290	231,942
September, "	..	152,116	66,292	218,408	..	404	20,768	239,580
December, "	..	162,846	67,518	230,364	..	430	22,338	253,132
Month of—								
October, "	..	159,049	63,131	227,180	..	379	23,124	250,683
November, "	..	164,163	67,879	232,042	..	445	21,372	253,859
December, "	..	166,275	66,390	232,665	..	480	22,322	255,467

## PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.

1954-55	..	9	1,047,677	262,986	1,310,663	158	3,282	16,432	1,330,544
1955-56	..	6	1,032,332	263,107	1,295,439	158	6,523	16,913	1,319,044
1956-57	..	6	1,028,509	299,499	1,328,008	158	7,343	18,685	1,354,200
1957-58	..	6	1,045,881	345,415	1,391,296	157	5,561	18,505	1,415,252
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957	..	6	1,059,399	344,710	1,404,109	157	3,495	20,495	1,428,262
March, 1958	..	6	1,092,615	353,622	1,446,237	157	3,612	17,741	1,467,753
June, "	..	6	1,021,730	352,193	1,373,923	157	6,644	18,680	1,399,410
September, "	..	6	962,268	363,744	1,326,012	157	4,651	17,904	1,348,730
December, "	..	6	1,004,275	366,941	1,371,216	157	3,452	21,555	1,396,386
Month of—									
October, "	..	6	986,816	365,874	1,352,690	157	3,187	20,629	1,376,669
November, "	..	6	1,004,843	367,361	1,372,204	157	3,621	21,287	1,397,275
December, "	..	5	1,025,530	367,855	1,393,385	157	3,614	22,933	1,420,144

## OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1954-55	..	20,520	41,415	16,069	57,484	..	554	461	79,019
1955-56	..	20,569	39,726	16,359	56,035	..	1,536	484	78,674
1956-57	..	20,472	41,317	16,946	58,263	..	1,372	586	80,693
1957-58	..	20,724	42,013	20,311	62,324	..	1,384	790	85,222
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957	..	20,728	41,818	19,556	61,374	..	2,147	743	84,992
March, 1958	..	20,721	45,171	20,397	65,568	..	1,298	872	88,459
June, "	..	20,808	40,761	22,053	62,804	..	1,126	876	85,614
September, "	..	21,383	36,278	24,800	61,078	..	1,014	1,229	84,704
December, "	..	21,643	37,252	24,817	62,069	..	1,203	1,053	85,968
Month of—									
October, "	..	21,602	36,452	24,858	61,310	..	927	1,072	84,911
November, "	..	21,739	37,483	24,973	62,456	..	1,280	1,058	86,533
December, "	..	21,598	38,022	24,610	62,532	..	1,470	1,023	86,723

## ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1954-55	..	20,529	1,220,001	322,604	1,542,605	158	4,145	33,041	1,600,478
1955-56	..	20,575	1,207,675	325,709	1,533,384	158	8,378	34,893	1,597,338
1956-57	..	20,473	1,209,951	360,868	1,570,819	158	9,104	37,831	1,637,990
1957-58	..	20,730	1,238,114	420,563	1,658,677	157	7,367	38,818	1,725,749
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957	..	20,734	1,256,705	417,156	1,673,861	157	6,068	41,474	1,742,294
March, 1958	..	20,727	1,287,313	430,032	1,717,345	157	5,389	37,637	1,781,305
June, "	..	20,814	1,214,534	434,451	1,648,985	157	8,164	38,846	1,716,966
September, "	..	21,389	1,150,662	454,836	1,605,498	157	6,069	39,901	1,673,014
December, "	..	21,649	1,204,373	459,276	1,663,649	157	5,085	44,946	1,735,486
Month of—									
October, "	..	21,608	1,182,317	458,863	1,641,180	157	4,493	44,825	1,712,263
November, "	..	21,745	1,206,489	460,213	1,666,702	157	5,346	43,717	1,737,667
December, "	..	21,603	1,229,827	456,855	1,688,682	157	5,564	46,328	1,762,334

(a) Averages of liabilities at close of business on Wednesdays in periods. term loans from Central Bank.

(b) Includes short-

**Cheque-paying Banks—continued.**  
**Average Assets within Australia.(a)**  
**(£'000.)**

(2 000.)									
Period.	Cash and Cash Balances.(b)	Special Account with C'wealth Bank.	Balances with other Banks. (c)	Commonwealth and State Government Securities.		Other Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	All other Assets.	Total Assets.
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.									
1954-55 .. ..	10,456	36,061	870	12,260	38,165	1,606	89,138	5,675	194,231
1955-56 .. ..	10,213	33,155	1,238	6,333	38,599	1,824	103,894	6,815	202,071
1956-57 .. ..	9,988	34,603	1,469	4,059	35,714	2,654	106,480	7,305	202,272
1957-58 .. ..	10,829	40,193	1,596	5,500	46,476	3,313	107,815	7,594	223,316
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957 ..	10,981	40,250	2,067	5,292	51,279	3,103	105,144	7,629	225,745
March, 1958 .. ..	11,209	42,627	1,683	4,346	45,556	3,787	107,523	7,627	224,363
June, " .. ..	10,226	38,750	1,572	7,154	46,748	3,791	112,457	7,937	228,635
September, " ..	11,311	37,188	1,256	6,577	50,400	3,800	119,743	7,473	237,743
December, " ..	11,515	37,712	1,728	5,615	59,748	3,667	122,403	7,827	250,215
Month of—									
October, 1958 ..	11,007	37,050	1,451	5,900	58,578	3,657	121,194	7,534	246,371
November, " ..	11,789	38,050	1,770	7,125	60,333	3,671	122,295	7,508	252,541
December, " ..	11,877	38,200	2,033	3,750	60,626	3,675	124,022	8,511	252,694

**PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.**

1954-55 .. ..	66,908	269,117	18,436	51,602	120,239	5,113	776,762	48,925	1,357,102
1955-56 .. ..	66,883	238,803	19,672	50,015	113,121	6,695	804,392	56,042	1,355,623
1956-57 .. ..	63,661	254,052	20,239	51,162	151,298	7,946	762,638	58,363	1,369,359
1957-58 .. ..	59,805	287,899	18,254	39,027	176,152	13,284	774,302	62,794	1,431,017
<b>Quarter ended—</b>									
December, 1957 ..	61,722	299,303	19,506	38,646	171,338	13,107	767,870	63,084	1,434,576
March, 1958 .. ..	62,255	292,311	17,633	76,962	200,439	13,099	752,619	63,921	1,479,239
June, " .. ..	56,307	258,495	19,352	21,538	173,439	14,696	812,774	64,068	1,420,669
September, " ..	59,140	229,672	16,561	20,519	144,493	16,113	838,403	64,617	1,389,518
December, " ..	60,918	226,841	19,565	36,385	171,898	17,098	821,945	65,387	1,420,037
<b>Month of—</b>									
October, 1958 ..	60,497	227,503	19,548	30,750	155,178	17,547	830,867	65,928	1,407,818
November, " ..	57,620	226,503	19,026	38,875	173,378	16,974	824,568	65,260	1,422,204
December, " ..	64,744	226,353	20,125	40,937	191,319	16,661	808,169	64,838	1,433,146

**OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.**

1954-55 .. ..	4,586	1,108	2,198	5,641	13,295	1,378	72,189	4,923	105,318
1955-56 .. ..	3,992	883	1,588	4,119	13,816	817	75,825	5,332	106,372
1956-57 .. ..	3,857	788	2,267	3,906	15,068	825	77,697	5,599	110,007
1957-58 .. ..	3,804	745	2,512	4,145	14,532	1,283	81,149	6,192	114,362
<b>Quarter ended—</b>									
December, 1957 ..	4,143	759	2,444	5,162	14,193	728	80,378	5,951	113,758
March, 1958 .. ..	3,923	741	3,071	5,391	14,927	1,312	81,922	6,385	117,672
June, " .. ..	3,210	698	2,464	1,589	14,637	1,744	83,934	6,477	114,753
September, " ..	3,448	606	2,539	500	13,564	3,010	84,615	6,424	114,706
December, " ..	4,054	606	2,884	500	13,383	3,734	85,780	6,741	117,687
<b>Month of—</b>									
October, 1958 ..	3,787	606	2,671	500	13,448	3,769	84,947	6,602	116,331
November, " ..	3,936	606	2,866	500	13,470	4,074	86,018	6,732	118,203
December, " ..	4,502	606	3,168	500	13,232	3,351	86,584	6,922	118,965

**ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.**

1954-55 .. ..	81,950	306,286	21,504	69,503	171,699	8,097	938,089	59,523	1,656,651
1955-56 .. ..	81,083	272,841	22,498	60,467	165,536	9,336	984,111	63,189	1,664,066
1956-57 .. ..	77,506	289,443	23,975	59,127	202,080	11,425	946,815	71,267	1,681,638
1957-58 .. ..	74,438	328,337	22,362	48,672	237,160	17,880	963,266	76,580	1,768,695
<b>Quarter ended—</b>									
December, 1957 ..	76,846	340,312	24,017	49,100	236,810	16,938	953,392	76,664	1,774,079
March, 1958 .. ..	77,387	335,679	22,387	86,699	260,922	18,193	942,069	77,933	1,821,274
June, " .. ..	69,743	297,943	23,388	30,281	234,824	20,231	1,009,165	78,482	1,764,057
September, " ..	73,899	267,466	20,356	27,596	208,457	22,923	1,042,761	78,514	1,741,972
December, " ..	76,487	265,159	24,177	42,500	245,034	24,499	1,030,123	79,955	1,787,939
<b>Month of—</b>									
October, 1958 ..	75,291	265,159	23,670	37,150	227,204	24,973	1,037,008	80,065	1,770,520
November, " ..	73,345	265,159	23,662	46,500	247,181	24,720	1,032,881	79,500	1,792,943
December, " ..	81,123	265,159	25,326	45,187	265,177	23,687	1,018,775	80,271	1,804,705

(a) Averages of assets at close of business on Wednesdays in periods. (b) Coin, bullion, Australian notes and cash with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes notes, cheques and bills of other banks.

## COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments—Average Weekly Assets.  
(£'000.)

Period.	Advances.					Treasury Bills.	Commonwealth and State Government Securities.
	Rural Credits Department.	Mortgage Bank Department.	Industrial Finance Department.		Total.		
			Hire Purchase.	Other.			
1954-55 .. ..	62,316	4,837	17,015	6,717	90,885	748	2,146
1955-56 .. ..	73,751	5,068	16,570	9,031	104,420	597	3,022
1956-57 .. ..	56,645	5,141	16,468	9,391	87,645	503	4,195
1957-58 .. ..	33,664	5,508	16,030	9,431	64,633	483	4,907
Quarter ended—							
December, 1957 ..	20,008	5,464	16,158	9,778	51,408	446	4,449
March, 1958 .. ..	40,301	5,542	16,053	9,251	71,147	519	5,136
June, " .. ..	41,222	5,666	16,113	8,985	71,986	485	5,497
September, " ..	23,084	5,837	16,542	9,105	54,568	169	5,142
December, " ..	12,227	5,935	17,660	9,037	44,859	81	4,709
Month of—							
October, 1958 ..	12,562	5,927	17,075	9,012	44,576	150	5,044
November, " ..	11,945	5,937	17,681	9,066	44,629	25	4,770
December, " ..	12,089	5,945	18,371	9,039	45,444	50	4,229

## COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Central Banking Business (Including Note Issue Department). (a)  
(£A'000.)

Period.	Notes on Issue.			Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Liabilities (excluding Capital and Reserve Funds).	Gold and Balances Held Abroad.	Government and Other Securities (including Treasury Bills).
	Held by—		Total.					
	Banks.	Public.						
1954-55 .. ..	40,913	316,110	357,023	306,286	36,795	243,468	415,896	459,839
1955-56 .. ..	42,965	331,131	374,096	272,841	35,630	208,717	298,885	515,716
1956-57 .. ..	44,863	338,351	383,214	289,444	31,345	205,917	349,663	508,841
1957-58 .. ..	45,671	343,873	389,544	328,337	25,602	218,393	461,721	478,603
Quarter ended—								
December, 1957 ..	46,448	346,184	392,632	340,312	27,608	213,663	469,466	500,448
March, 1958 .. ..	47,140	343,684	390,824	335,678	25,581	221,588	465,230	482,614
June, " .. ..	46,087	344,352	390,439	297,943	20,245	229,557	440,643	467,804
September, " ..	44,499	345,800	390,299	267,467	27,733	226,426	413,865	491,649
December, " ..	48,493	352,460	400,953	265,159	24,856	226,932	397,507	521,356
Month of—								
October, 1958 ..	45,275	348,774	394,049	265,159	28,964	223,396	392,213	521,461
November, " ..	46,432	349,304	395,736	265,159	22,276	229,491	396,563	516,920
December, " ..	54,577	360,222	414,799	265,159	22,302	228,793	405,068	525,660

(a) Averages of weekly figures.

## COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.

(£'000.)

Denomination.	29th Dec., 1954.	28th Dec., 1955.	26th Dec., 1956.	25th Dec., 1957.	29th October, 1958.	26th Nov., 1958.	31st Dec., 1958.
10s. .. ..	10,912	11,241	11,717	12,119	11,362	11,471	12,435
£1 .. ..	75,896	75,106	79,318	77,044	68,781	68,718	74,772
£5 .. ..	194,831	205,005	192,670	197,240	175,900	176,488	195,471
£10 .. ..	109,882	121,939	147,391	151,902	136,752	137,615	152,948
£20 .. ..	6	4	4	4	3	3	3
£50 .. ..	50	47	44	43	38	38	37
£100 .. ..	55	50	49	47	42	41	41
£1,000 .. ..	695	611	1,276	733	671	675	342
Held by Banks ..	52,223	54,935	52,072	54,740	44,896	45,605	58,114
" " Public ..	339,604	359,068	380,397	384,392	348,653	349,444	377,935
Total .. ..	391,827	414,003	432,469	439,132	393,549	395,049	436,049

### SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS. (£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
ALL SAVINGS BANKS.(a)									
June—									
1954 ..	339,796	339,781	117,406	122,949	52,614	33,947	1,308	2,328	1,010,129
1955 ..	358,645	364,748	124,814	131,692	53,629	35,809	1,482	2,575	1,073,394
1956 ..	386,554	386,176	132,700	135,756	57,934	37,211	1,656	3,010	1,140,997
1957 ..	422,184	411,569	144,608	142,401	62,693	38,759	1,894	3,302	1,227,410
1958 ..	449,018	433,631	153,244	148,858	65,948	40,241	2,098	3,805	1,296,843
Dec., 1957	437,107	423,018	151,361	145,686	64,924	39,568	2,020	3,588	1,267,272
Mar., 1958	439,102	422,727	149,404	145,930	64,555	39,812	1,988	3,748	1,267,266
June, ..	449,018	433,631	153,244	148,858	65,948	40,241	2,098	3,805	1,296,843
Sept., ..	457,706	439,097	158,187	149,850	67,654	41,472	2,207	4,023	1,320,196
Oct., ..	459,332	440,752	159,399	150,002	67,848	41,339	2,235	4,082	1,324,989
Nov., ..	462,690	442,933	160,566	150,690	68,320	41,433	2,256	4,115	1,332,963
Dec., ..	465,668	443,915	161,327	150,643	68,231	41,337	2,173	4,152	1,337,446

#### COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

June—									
1954 ..	339,796	94,174	117,406	28,192	52,614	12,869	1,308	2,328	648,687
1955 ..	358,645	104,597	124,814	30,547	53,629	13,764	1,482	2,575	690,053
1956 ..	363,711	110,215	126,998	31,880	54,295	14,312	4,384		705,795
1957 ..	363,406	114,542	129,816	33,590	53,697	15,252	4,470		714,773
1958 ..	367,439	117,805	132,545	35,222	53,613	16,119	4,820		727,563
Dec., 1957	364,567	116,462	132,536	34,476	53,709	15,533	4,671		721,954
Mar., 1958	362,185	115,906	129,706	34,454	52,730	15,528	4,723		715,232
June, ..	367,439	117,805	132,545	35,222	53,613	16,119	4,820		727,563
Sept., ..	370,528	119,075	135,717	35,843	54,328	16,580	5,043		737,114
Oct., ..	370,293	118,822	136,244	35,925	54,200	16,526	5,090		737,100
Nov., ..	371,051	118,912	136,792	35,900	54,253	16,570	5,102		738,580
Dec., ..	370,957	119,132	136,829	36,067	53,894	16,458	5,075		738,412

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

NOTE.—Sales of War Savings and Savings Certificates were discontinued after 31st January, 1949, except for sales to wind up savings groups, etc. The net amount outstanding at the end of June, 1958, was £16,004,000.

### CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE WEEKLY DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS.(a)

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at Capital City Branches.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
1953-54 ..	171,709	154,885	51,032	32,802	25,339	9,938	775	446,480
1954-55 ..	187,471	176,147	53,873	36,287	26,247	10,716	821	491,562
1955-56 ..	200,852	185,369	56,028	39,564	26,918	11,615	1,025	521,371
1956-57 ..	219,368	195,455	62,743	42,685	28,571	12,609	1,239	562,660
1957-58 ..	230,335	207,059	65,655	44,276	30,215	12,930	1,533	592,003
Quarter ended—								
December, 1957 ..	241,139	221,051	69,358	46,017	32,336	13,198	1,470	624,569
March, 1958 ..	222,515	194,239	60,701	43,168	31,028	12,420	1,434	565,505
June, ..	233,694	217,164	66,052	44,880	29,314	14,107	1,871	607,082
September, ..	233,304	208,113	68,716	42,448	27,747	12,885	1,939	595,152
December, ..	260,779	235,109	74,269	47,510	31,169	14,309	1,843	664,988
Month of—								
October, 1958 ..	252,284	224,363	72,551	45,096	30,362	13,318	1,781	639,755
November, ..	254,315	225,636	73,040	45,863	29,749	14,000	1,773	644,376
December, ..	274,446	253,433	76,970	51,242	33,112	15,547	1,962	706,712

(a) Covers all cheque-paying banks and in addition the special departments of the Commonwealth Bank (Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments).

## BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, 31st DECEMBER, 1958.

Particulars.	Rate per Annum.	Date from which Operative.	Previous Rate per Annum.
	Per cent.		Per cent.
Commonwealth Bank of Australia—			
Rural Credits Department—Government Guaranteed Loans ..	4	1.4.56	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Other .. ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.4.56	4
Mortgage Bank Department Loans—			
5 to 20 years .. ..	5	1.4.56	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Over 20 years .. ..	6	1.4.56	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Industrial Finance Department—Term Loans ..	(a)	1.4.56	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Commonwealth Savings Bank—			
Loans to Local Government Authorities ..	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	29.3.56	4 $\frac{7}{8}$ to 5
Crédit Foncier Housing Loans .. ..	5	9.4.56	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Loans to Co-operative Building and Housing Societies .. ..	5	1.4.56	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Commonwealth Trading Bank—			
Overdraft—General .. ..	(a) 6	1.4.56	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Local Government Authorities .. ..	5	1.4.56	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Other Trading Banks—Overdraft .. ..	(a) 6	1.4.56	5
Life Assurance Companies—Loans on own policies	6	1-21.5.56	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Commonwealth Loans—Long Term .. ..	5	10.5.56	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Treasury Bills (Discount Rates) .. ..	1	1.8.52	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Fixed Deposits with Trading Banks—			
3 months .. ..	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	15.3.56	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
6 months .. ..	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	15.3.56	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
12 months .. ..	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	15.3.56	1 $\frac{3}{4}$
24 months .. ..	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.12.56	3
Savings Banks—Deposits other than Fixed Deposits—			
Ordinary Accounts (b)—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank and Savings Banks not specified elsewhere—			
£1 to £1,000 .. ..	3	1.11.58	2 $\frac{3}{4}$
£1,001 to £1,500 .. ..			1 $\frac{1}{2}$
£1,501 to £2,000 .. ..			Nil.
Savings Bank of South Australia—			
£1 to £500 .. ..	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.11.58	3
£501 to £1,500 .. ..			2 $\frac{3}{4}$
£1,501 to £2,000 .. ..			Nil.
Trustee Savings Banks, Hobart and Launceston—			
£1 to £500 .. ..	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.11.58	3
£501 to £1,500 .. ..			1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Friendly and Other Society Accounts—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank and Savings Banks not specified elsewhere—			
£1 to £2,000 .. ..	3	1.11.58	2 $\frac{3}{4}$
£2,001 and over .. ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.4.56	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Savings Bank of South Australia—			
£1 to £500 .. ..	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.11.58	3
£501 to £2,000 .. ..			2 $\frac{3}{4}$
£2,001 and over .. ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.4.56	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Trustee Savings Banks, Hobart and Launceston—			
£1 to £500 .. ..	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.11.58	3
£501 to £1,500 .. ..			1 $\frac{1}{2}$
£1,501 and over .. ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.3.57	Nil.

(a) Maximum rate. Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. payable on amounts in excess of the maximum amounts shown.

(b) No interest is

**BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, AND SECURITY YIELDS.**  
(Per Cent.)

Period.	Trading Banks—						C'wealth. Savings Bank Deposits (Maximum Rate of Interest).	Treasury Bills (Discount Rates).	C'wealth. Govt. Securities.		Private First Mortgages Registered in New South Wales—Urban and Rural Securities. (c)
	Fixed Deposits.				Overdrafts.				Short-dated 2 Years. (b)	Long-dated 12 Years. (b)	
	3 Months.	6 Months.	12 Months.	24 Months.	C'wealth. Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.					
1952-53 ..	0.96	1.21	1.46	(d) 1.73	4.71	4.96	2.23	0.98	3.03	4.54	4.7
1953-54 ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.10	4.44	4.9
1954-55 ..	1.13	1.38	1.63	1.88	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.49	4.50	5.2
1955-56 ..	1.50	1.75	2.00	2.25	5.07	5.25	2.56	1.00	4.39	4.76	5.7
1956-57 ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.29	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.71	5.06	6.6
Month of—											(f)
Dec., 1957	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.41	5.00	6.9
March, 1958	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.30	4.98	7.1
June, "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.25	4.94	7.1
Sept., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.30	4.97	7.0
Oct., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.25	4.98	7.0
Nov., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(e) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.24	4.96	7.0
Dec., "	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(e) 6.00	(a) 6.00	2.75	1.00	4.23	4.93	7.0

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) Rate for securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5, and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (c) Average of monthly quotations. (d) From December, 1945 to July, 1952, 1.50 per cent. on first £10,000 of deposit; 1.00 per cent. on amounts in excess, and from 1st August, 1952, 1.75 per cent. on first £10,000 deposit; 1.50 per cent. on amounts in excess. (e) Maximum rate. Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5½ per cent. (f) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown.

**OVERSEA EXCHANGE RATES : AVERAGE TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFER SELLING RATES—SYDNEY ON OVERSEA COUNTRIES.**

Country.	Basis of Quotation.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	Dec., 1957.	Dec., 1958.
United Kingdom ..	£A. to £100 Eng. ..	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50
South Africa ..	£A. to £100 S.A. ..	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79
New Zealand ..	£A. to £100 N.Z. ..	125.54	124.54	124.54	124.54	125.54	124.54
Fiji ..	£A. to £100 F. ..	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00
United States of America	Dollars to £A.1 ..	2.23	2.23	2.22	2.23	2.23	2.23
Canada ..	Dollars to £A.1 ..	2.17	2.21	2.14	2.16	2.18	2.15
Belgium ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	110.60	110.38	110.83	110.61	110.78	110.33
Denmark ..	Kroner to £A.1 ..	15.36	15.31	15.34	15.32	15.32	15.31
France ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	776.71	778.02	780.33	916.39	933.25	941.18
Holland ..	Florins to £A.1 ..	8.42	8.43	8.44	8.42	8.41	8.39
Philippines ..	Pesos to £A.1 ..	4.44	4.44	4.44	4.44	4.44	4.45
Norway ..	Kroner to £A.1 ..	15.84	15.84	15.81	15.83	15.84	15.84
Norumea ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	132.1	138.61	138.61	163.00	166.33	166.50
Sweden ..	Kronor to £A.1 ..	11.51	11.48	11.45	11.47	11.47	11.47
Switzerland ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	9.71	9.70	9.71	9.71	9.73	9.68
Hong Kong ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar	18.84	18.78	18.80	18.81	18.81	18.80
India ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	22.74	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72
Pakistan ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	32.69	33.57	22.72	22.72	22.72	22.72
Ceylon ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	22.80	22.80	22.80	22.81	22.81	22.81
Singapore ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar	35.42	35.27	35.28	35.27	35.27	35.34

## LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA.(a)

EXCLUDES BUSINESS OF THE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THE QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE.

## New Policies Issued and Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(b)

Period.	New Policies Issued.				Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(c)				
	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.	
	No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.		No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.
		£'000.		£'000.	£'000.		£'000.		£'000.
1953-54 .. ..	284,504	254,125	239,569	32,562	286,687	143,766	81,268	261,779	20,556
1954-55 .. ..	282,059	292,374	220,979	32,809	325,183	149,683	93,932	275,754	22,537
1955-56 .. ..	297,558	334,717	210,607	32,657	367,374	168,591	110,273	277,099	23,755
1956-57 .. ..	291,942	392,197	210,308	33,138	425,335	170,411	119,712	271,467	25,390
1957-58 .. ..	299,612	450,737	208,966	33,830	484,567	188,175	141,054	295,944	27,076
Quarter ended—									
December, 1957 ..	82,416	138,103	49,971	8,344	146,447	54,161	36,309	76,593	7,028
March, 1958 ..	57,081	76,974	37,890	5,992	82,966	42,399	33,065	67,161	6,775
June, „ ..	71,632	111,796	56,861	9,237	121,033	45,444	37,521	75,912	6,988
September, „ ..	90,169	137,663	60,847	9,927	147,590	49,348	41,186	67,830	6,054
December, „ ..	78,792	155,790	43,013	7,554	163,344	44,892	42,075	71,842	7,058
Month of—									
October, 1958 ..	25,273	40,393	15,395	2,567	42,960	14,574	12,402	23,082	2,276
November, „ ..	24,970	38,410	16,155	2,744	41,154	14,155	12,088	25,174	2,554
December, „ ..	28,549	76,987	11,463	2,243	79,230	16,163	17,585	23,586	2,228

(a) Includes Papua and New Guinea.

(b) Excludes annuity policies.

(c) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.

Premiums Received, Amounts Paid on Claims, Surrenders, etc., and New Loans Granted.(a)  
(£'000.)

Period.	Premiums.(b)			Claims, etc., Paid.(c)			New Loans Granted (d)
	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	
1953-54 .. ..	56,152	14,062	70,214	21,148	8,036	29,184	34,459
1954-55 .. ..	62,100	14,616	76,716	23,791	8,853	32,644	51,825
1955-56 .. ..	69,426	14,734	84,160	27,159	9,511	36,670	56,925
1956-57 .. ..	77,452	14,973	92,425	29,641	10,092	39,733	59,905
1957-58 .. ..	87,466	15,281	102,747	33,562	10,947	44,509	59,381
Quarter ended—							
December, 1957 ..	21,271	4,148	25,419	8,576	2,695	11,271	17,176
March, 1958 ..	19,735	3,363	23,098	7,664	2,515	10,179	12,271
June, „ ..	24,359	3,868	28,227	8,585	2,610	11,195	15,924
September, „ ..	24,243	3,922	28,165	9,684	2,826	12,510	17,461
December, „ ..	22,934	4,152	27,086	9,179	2,446	11,625	21,162
Month of—							
October, 1958 ..	7,469	1,303	8,772	2,924	833	3,757	7,093
November, „ ..	6,881	1,573	8,454	2,808	846	3,654	6,033
December, „ ..	8,584	1,276	9,860	3,447	767	4,214	8,036

(a) Includes Papua and New Guinea.

(b) Includes consideration for annuities.

(c) Includes claims paid on maturity, amounts paid on surrender of policy, annuities and bonuses paid in cash.

(d) Excludes advances of premiums.

## SECTION VIII.—PUBLIC FINANCE.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—RECEIPTS.  
(£'000.)

Sources of Revenue.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	Six Months ended December.	
				1957.	1958.
<b>TAXATION—</b>					
Customs .. .. .	87,508	68,597	71,717	35,584	36,575
Excise .. .. .	168,264	217,440	231,334	118,626	122,591
Sales Tax .. .. .	110,001	125,752	137,777	65,757	71,407
Land Tax .. .. .	..	1	11	11	..
Income Taxes .. .. .	573,988	620,298	650,419	140,706	143,518
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	45,543	48,675	48,552	24,604	24,546
Estate Duty .. .. .	10,120	12,712	13,774	7,357	6,626
Gift Duty .. .. .	1,820	1,940	2,205	1,170	1,057
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..
Wheat Tax .. .. .	-1	..	185	..	1
Wool Contributory Charge and Wool Tax .. .. .	851	979	1,328	657	643
Wheat Export Charge .. .. .	4,294	..	443	116	1,104
Other Export Charges .. .. .	414	375	390	224	616
Stevedoring Industry Charge .. .. .	973	1,926	3,337	1,594	2,314
Tobacco Industry Charge .. .. .	5	41	61	44	50
<b>Total, Taxation .. .. .</b>	<b>1,003,780</b>	<b>1,098,736</b>	<b>1,161,533</b>	<b>396,450</b>	<b>411,048</b>
<b>BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—</b>					
Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	79,341	90,074	96,776	47,154	51,422
<b>Railways—</b>					
Trans-Australian .. .. .	2,545	2,887	2,821	1,478	1,547
Central Australia .. .. .	1,937	1,390	1,554	786	776
North Australia .. .. .	86	130	132	87	88
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	15	21	19	17	22
<b>Total, Railways .. .. .</b>	<b>4,583</b>	<b>4,428</b>	<b>4,576</b>	<b>2,368</b>	<b>2,433</b>
Broadcasting and Television Services .. .. .	3,897	5,301	6,876	3,314	4,276
<b>Total, Business Undertakings .. .. .</b>	<b>87,821</b>	<b>99,803</b>	<b>108,228</b>	<b>52,836</b>	<b>58,131</b>
<b>TERRITORIES .. .. .</b>	<b>2,249</b>	<b>2,513</b>	<b>2,845</b>	<b>1,322</b>	<b>1,543</b>
<b>OTHER REVENUE—</b>					
Coinage .. .. .	199	693	223	..	100
Defence .. .. .	3,820	3,763	5,776	2,908	1,805
Civil Aviation .. .. .	1,159	1,262	1,472	409	406
Health .. .. .	94	90	105	59	49
Attorney-General .. .. .	408	452	516	239	278
Shipping and Transport .. .. .	329	914	1,128	313	267
Net Profit on Note Issue .. .. .	7,866	10,054	12,592	5,667	6,056
Other .. .. .	30,633	93,555	29,353	10,846	7,503
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>44,508</b>	<b>110,783</b>	<b>51,165</b>	<b>20,441</b>	<b>16,469</b>
<b>Grand Total .. .. .</b>	<b>1,138,358</b>	<b>1,311,835</b>	<b>1,323,771</b>	<b>471,049</b>	<b>487,191</b>
<b>PER HEAD OF POPULATION .. .. .</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>
Taxation .. .. .	107 15 0	115 4 8	119 3 8	40 18 3	41 10 8
Business Undertakings .. .. .	9 8 7	10 9 4	11 2 1	5 9 1	5 17 6
Other .. .. .	5 0 5	11 17 8	5 10 10	2 4 11	1 16 5
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>122 4 0</b>	<b>137 11 8</b>	<b>135 16 7</b>	<b>48 12 3</b>	<b>49 4 7</b>

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) indicates excess of refunds.

**COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—EXPENDITURE.**  
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	Six months ended December.	
				1957.	1958.
Administrative and Miscellaneous Services	79,806	88,140	96,263	49,758	52,829
Interest and Debt Redemption, n.e.i.(a) ..	8,799	9,827	11,548	9,880	15,875
Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve	61,613	194,793	104,378	..	..
Capital Works and Services, n.e.i. ..	61,107	62,655	72,074	33,891	29,346
National Welfare and Social Services(b) ..	214,866	223,923	247,485	118,340	141,494
Subsidies and Bounties ..	17,393	15,014	15,660	6,696	7,985
Defence Services .. .. .	190,716	188,407	185,097	78,345	85,961
War and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	59,813	58,524	51,882	26,632	25,601
War pensions .. .. .	47,307	(c) 36,762	58,889	28,990	29,780
Other Services .. .. .	17,367	17,010	17,153	9,021	9,907
Total, War and Repatriation Services	124,487	112,296	127,924	64,643	64,388
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	2,323	2,034	1,812	901	1,848
Capital Works and Services ..	28,970	30,721	34,811	17,578	18,467
Other .. .. .	83,304	89,163	95,140	48,256	48,889
Total, Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	114,597	121,918	131,763	66,735	69,204
Railways—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	560	565	579	285	421
Capital Works and Services ..	2,674	3,423	2,545	1,148	386
Other .. .. .	3,161	3,679	3,742	1,900	1,870
Total, Railways .. .. .	6,395	7,667	6,866	3,333	2,677
Broadcasting and Television Services—					
Capital Works and Services ..	817	2,697	1,583	743	410
Other .. .. .	5,590	6,701	7,334	4,916	5,619
Total, Broadcasting and Television Services .. .. .	6,407	9,398	8,917	5,659	6,029
Total, Business Undertakings ..	127,399	138,983	147,546	75,727	77,910
Territories—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	366	368	374	189	421
Capital Works and Services ..	8,049	8,027	11,749	5,193	7,186
Other—					
Northern Territory .. .. .	3,195	3,729	4,406	2,110	2,295
Australian Capital Territory ..	2,385	2,783	3,075	1,517	1,693
Papua-New Guinea .. .. .	8,615	9,573	11,374	5,368	5,020
Norfolk Island .. .. .	30	37	33	17	12
Cocos Island .. .. .	12	20	26	12	17
Total, Territories .. .. .	22,652	24,537	31,037	14,406	16,644
Payments to or for the States—					
Interest on States' Debts .. .. .	7,585	7,585	7,585	3,792	3,792
Redemption of States' Debts ..	4,310	4,640	5,065	2,522	2,732
Special Grants .. .. .	18,500	18,500	19,500	10,031	11,064
Grants for Road Construction, etc., purposes .. .. .	27,469	32,218	35,614	14,983	17,498
Tax Reimbursement Grants ..	141,578	154,622	165,820	66,342	82,002
States Grants—Special Assistance ..	15,848	19,405	24,145	9,660	1,525
Additional Assistance .. .. .	..	..	5,000	..	..
Tuberculosis Act—Reimbursement of Capital Expenditure .. .. .	1,758	2,331	2,142	746	685
Mental Institutions—Contributions to Capital Expenditure .. .. .	773	1,248	1,256	449	280
Grants for Rail Standardization ..	233	280	749	(d)	(d)
Other .. .. .	4,253	4,681	5,475	1,736	3,261
Total, Payments to or for the States	221,857	245,560	272,351	110,261	122,839
Other Expenditure .. .. .	7,663	7,610	12,408	4,649	4,728
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	1,138,358	1,311,835	1,323,771	566,596	619,999
PER HEAD OF POPULATION ..	£ s. d. 122 4 0	£ s. d. 137 11 8	£ s. d. 135 16 7	£ s. d. 58 9 5	£ s. d. 62 13 0

(a) Includes exchange on interest payments.

(b) For expenditure on Social Services see page 86.

(c) In addition £13,399,000 was spent from balance of War Pensions Trust Fund.

(d) Not available.

**COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.**  
(£'000.)

Particulars.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.	Total to 30th June, 1958.
War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services	..	..	..	..	..	372,990
Defence and War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges .. ..	4,199	4,039	7,622	8,019	8,703	1,657,072
<b>Works and Services—</b>						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	8,682
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works ..	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,694
Lighthouses, Works and Services .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department .. ..	..	Cr. 2	Cr. 1	Cr. 6	Cr. 3	40,518
Health Buildings, Laboratories and Services .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	102
War Service Homes(a) .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways .. ..	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 5	..	Cr. 3	13,741
Territories(b) .. ..	Cr. 12	Cr. 4	Cr. 3	Cr. 3	Cr. 4	8,709
Other .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,109
Assistance to States—						
Housing .. ..	37,200	29,150	33,200	32,150	33,160	305,869
Other .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13,943
Wheat Bounty .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Emergency Wheat Storage .. ..	..	..	3,182	Cr. 60	Cr. 30	3,092
Loan (Qantas Empire Airways Limited) .. ..	..	..	..	3,899	3,311	7,210
<b>Total Additions, New Works,   Buildings, etc. .. ..</b>	<b>37,187</b>	<b>29,143</b>	<b>36,373</b>	<b>35,980</b>	<b>36,431</b>	<b>426,381</b>
International Bank Dollar Loans(c) ..	21,468	23,575	19,369	5,367	14,564	130,153
Swiss Loans(d) .. ..	5,792	5,930	..	..	..	11,722
Canadian Loan(e) .. ..	..	..	6,459	..	..	6,459
<b>GRAND TOTAL .. ..</b>	<b>68,646</b>	<b>62,687</b>	<b>69,823</b>	<b>49,366</b>	<b>59,693</b>	<b>2,604,777</b>

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes administration and other public buildings, Australian Capital Territory. (c) Paid to National Debt Sinking Fund. (d) Paid to Swiss Loan Trust Account. (e) Paid to Canadian Loan Trust Account.

**PUBLIC LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA FOR DEFENCE, WAR (1939-45) AND  
POST-WAR CHARGES, ETC.(a)**

Year and Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Sub- scribers.	Allocation of Proceeds.			Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			Commonwealth.		States.		
			Defence, War (1939-45) and Post-war Charges.	Advances to States for Housing.			
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%	
1954—March .. ..	35,000	24,980	..	65	52,000	3, 4½	(b) 1957, 1967
August .. ..	37,594	26,840	..	Cr. 7	46,505	"	(b) 1957, 1967
November .. ..	50,106	13,386	..	..	37,159	"	(c) 1957, 1963
1955—March .. ..	40,000	13,299	..	1	44,095	"	(d) 1957, 1963
August .. ..	35,000	23,630	..	4	39,627	"	(e) 1956, 1965, 1970
November .. ..	30,000	11,653	..	17	28,032	"	(e) 1956, 1965, 1970
1956—May .. ..	30,000	20,729	..	34	33,000	3½, 5	(f) 1957, (f) 1963
August .. ..	30,000	14,869	..	23	31,432	"	(e) 1957, (e) 1963, 1976
October .. ..	29,184	9,230	..	5	30,092	4, 5	(f) 1958, 1965, 1976
1957—March .. ..	35,000	15,087	..	32	36,270	4, 5	1958, 1965, 1976
August .. ..	30,000	17,944	..	28	31,400	4, 5	(d) 1959, 1965, 1976
November .. ..	30,000	10,550	..	10	32,550	4, 5	(g) 1960, 1967, 1973
1958—April .. ..	35,000	13,594	..	9	39,241	4, 4½, 5	(h) 1961, (g) 1967, 1973
October(i) .. ..	30,000	10,320	..	3	36,796	4, 4½, 5	(e) 1960, (d) 1967, 1974

(a) Excludes redemption and conversion loans. (b) Price of issue: £98 10s. (c) Price of issue: £98 15s. (d) Price of issue: £99 5s. (e) Price of issue: £99 15s. (f) Price of issue: £99 10s. (g) Price of issue: £99. (h) Price of issue: £98 17s. 6d. (i) In addition to this loan, subscriptions were invited to Special Bonds open for continuous subscription and the cash proceeds to the end of December, 1958 totalled £13,537,000. These bonds are redeemable at any time after 1st July, 1959 at prices commencing at par and increasing to a premium of £3 per cent. if the bonds are held to maturity 1st January, 1966. Interest is 4 per cent. for approximately the first two years, 4½ per cent. for the next two years and 5 per cent. for the next three years. The maximum holding for each person is £5,000.

**COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.**

For a summary of Commonwealth Public Debt as at 30th June, 1958, see page 85.

**COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION,  
INDIVIDUALS—1956-57.(a)**

Grade of Actual Income and State or Territory of Assessment.				Number of Tax-payers.	Actual Income.	Taxable Income.			Net Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessed.
						Salary and Wages.	Other Income.	Total.	
£	£				£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
105- 199	..	..	..	162,809	25,163	20,503	3,658	24,161	208
200- 299	..	..	..	206,419	51,924	40,636	7,835	48,471	911
300- 399	..	..	..	244,801	85,748	66,502	12,174	78,676	2,477
400- 499	..	..	..	273,853	123,450	92,285	18,707	110,992	4,822
500- 599	..	..	..	318,290	174,690	131,285	23,486	154,771	8,436
600- 699	..	..	..	303,339	197,022	140,390	27,385	167,775	10,570
700- 799	..	..	..	357,134	268,394	185,525	31,630	217,155	15,109
800- 899	..	..	..	395,107	335,696	230,950	33,767	264,717	20,164
900- 999	..	..	..	363,075	344,238	234,485	34,383	268,868	22,513
1,000- 1,099	..	..	..	290,610	304,436	202,429	33,361	235,790	21,376
1,100- 1,199	..	..	..	209,609	240,450	154,896	31,487	186,383	18,273
1,200- 1,299	..	..	..	151,068	188,243	116,181	29,704	145,885	15,327
1,300- 1,399	..	..	..	108,192	145,705	85,901	27,745	113,646	12,807
1,400- 1,499	..	..	..	76,105	110,112	60,757	25,722	86,479	10,365
1,500- 1,999	..	..	..	181,225	307,340	142,413	103,773	246,186	34,332
2,000- 2,999	..	..	..	95,565	227,855	66,630	125,193	191,823	35,939
3,000- 3,999	..	..	..	31,869	109,228	22,527	73,288	95,815	23,466
4,000- 4,999	..	..	..	14,879	66,107	12,034	47,029	59,063	17,166
5,000- 9,999	..	..	..	18,238	120,422	19,155	90,792	109,947	41,359
10,000-14,999	..	..	..	2,586	30,750	4,350	24,006	28,356	13,491
15,000 and over	..	..	..	1,357	32,613	3,614	25,311	28,925	16,116
Total Residents				3,806,130	3,489,586	2,033,448	830,436	2,863,884	345,227
Central Office	..	..	..	13,259	40,093	6,573	28,816	35,389	12,216
New South Wales	..	..	..	1,425,154	1,326,710	809,400	281,795	1,091,195	130,858
Victoria	..	..	..	1,109,237	1,017,260	605,778	237,195	842,973	100,427
Queensland	..	..	..	511,920	441,122	232,614	121,010	353,624	41,298
South Australia	..	..	..	347,748	311,043	175,563	79,708	255,271	28,858
Western Australia	..	..	..	256,656	227,179	126,622	57,422	184,044	20,639
Tasmania	..	..	..	119,624	102,368	60,536	21,436	81,972	8,461
Northern Territory	..	..	..	6,408	6,983	4,602	1,007	5,609	696
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	16,124	16,828	11,760	2,047	13,807	1,774
Total Residents				3,806,130	3,489,586	2,033,448	830,436	2,863,884	345,227
Total Non-Residents				4,875	6,405	770	4,971	5,741	1,128
Grand Total				3,811,005	3,495,991	2,034,218	835,407	2,869,625	346,355

(a) Assessed on income for year 1955-56.

## COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION.

## Resident and Non-Resident Companies, 1956-57.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income and State or Territory of Assessment.			Number of Taxpayers.	Actual Income.	Taxable Income.	Net Tax Assessed.(b)
£	£			£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1-	999	..	10,610	5,497	3,584	904
1,000-	4,999	..	11,618	33,074	30,494	7,489
5,000-	9,999	..	4,914	37,456	34,479	9,332
10,000-	19,999	..	3,114	44,850	43,730	13,207
20,000-	49,999	..	2,301	73,421	71,293	22,817
50,000-	99,999	..	941	67,409	65,403	21,309
100,000-	199,999	..	522	74,493	72,499	23,957
200,000-	499,999	..	311	96,602	94,336	30,415
500,000-	999,999	..	81	58,795	53,621	18,860
1,000,000 and over		..	72	196,199	178,076	62,374
Total		..	34,484	687,796	647,515	210,664
Central Office		..	3,126	337,184	307,797	105,039
New South Wales		..	14,065	144,398	141,218	43,376
Victoria		..	9,465	106,183	103,337	31,539
Queensland		..	2,318	35,780	34,090	11,359
South Australia		..	3,235	33,670	33,013	9,949
Western Australia		..	1,356	19,767	17,498	5,932
Tasmania		..	728	9,409	9,234	3,203
Northern Territory		..	39	320	297	85
Australian Capital Territory		..	152	1,085	1,031	182
Total		..	34,484	687,796	647,515	210,664

(a) Assessed on income for year 1955-56.  
income of private companies £2,951,000.

(b) Excludes additional tax levied on the undistributed

## Commonwealth Gift Duty, 1955-56.

Grade of Value of Gift as Assessed.			Number of Assessments.(a)	Value as Assessed.	Net Duty Assessed.
£	£			£'000.	£'000.
1 -	1,000	..	843	305	9
1,001 -	2,000	..	226	352	12
2,001 -	3,000	..	1,096	2,814	82
3,001 -	4,000	..	661	2,372	71
4,001 -	5,000	..	513	2,365	73
5,001 -	10,000	..	1,304	9,944	306
10,001 -	20,000	..	554	7,922	369
20,001 -	50,000	..	208	6,258	546
50,001 and over		..	27	2,009	338
Total		..	5,432	34,341	1,806

(a) Number of Assessments assessed during 1955-56.

## COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1955-56.

Grade of Value of Estate.						Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Assessed.
£	£						£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1,001- 2,000	..	..	..	..	..	162	274	64	1
2,001- 3,000	..	..	..	..	..	720	2,230	324	10
3,001- 4,000	..	..	..	..	..	833	3,307	960	29
4,001- 5,000	..	..	..	..	..	643	3,400	1,424	43
5,001-10,000	..	..	..	..	..	4,303	34,509	15,358	457
10,001-20,000	..	..	..	..	..	2,601	41,989	32,352	1,314
20,001-50,000	..	..	..	..	..	1,480	53,659	44,603	3,705
50,001 and over	..	..	..	..	..	327	33,993	28,193	5,323
Total	..	..	..	..	..	11,069	178,361	123,278	10,882

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1955-56.

## COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

NOTE.—An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, all goods sold by wholesale in Australia, including imports, are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustments to be made to the crude figures on this account.

## Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia.

(£'000.)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Taxable Sales.										Sales Tax Payable.
		8½ per cent.	10 per cent.	12½ per cent.	16½ per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	33½ per cent.	50 per cent.	Total.	
1953-54 ..	2,154,269	..	..	483,736	176,136	24,265	..	..	3,007	802	687,946	96,079
1954-55 ..	2,466,282	..	140,620	421,607	204,713	..	..	..	..	..	766,940	101,427
1955-56 ..	2,655,639	..	159,157	405,029	185,102	..	15,431	34,055	..	..	798,774	111,469
1956-57 ..	2,798,078	..	148,874	336,963	107,605	..	72,715	115,093	..	..	781,250	127,649
1957-58 ..	2,955,035	135,251	26,395	358,705	111,636	..	86,064	131,296	..	..	849,347	138,259
Quarter—1957—												
Sept. ..	725,458	11,449	26,395	87,196	27,141	..	21,577	30,337	..	..	204,095	33,512
Dec. ..	788,373	49,107	..	103,736	29,114	..	23,908	34,616	..	..	240,481	38,273
1958—												
Mar. ..	697,096	36,921	..	85,162	27,472	..	19,201	31,603	..	..	200,359	32,582
June ..	744,109	37,774	..	82,611	27,909	..	21,378	34,740	..	..	204,412	33,892
Sept. ..	764,250	42,612	..	94,568	27,946	..	22,963	35,105	..	..	223,194	36,302
Month—1958—												
July ..	252,075	13,509	..	30,001	8,804	..	7,606	10,387	..	..	70,307	11,361
Aug. ..	246,902	14,139	..	30,691	9,080	..	7,558	12,019	..	..	73,487	12,023
Sept. ..	265,273	14,964	..	33,876	10,062	..	7,799	12,699	..	..	79,400	12,918

## STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS.

(£'000.)

Item and Year.	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
REVENUE.							
1957-58.							
Taxation(b) .. ..	34,736	28,387	10,879	9,772	(c) 5,549	3,653	92,976
Railways .. ..	(d) 74,432	35,948	34,135	(d) 13,648	12,849	..	171,012
Tramways and Omnibuses .. ..	13,821	..	..	..	984	..	14,805
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. ..	2,900	7,827	..	7,130	3,918	..	21,775
Land .. ..	5,310	3,117	4,619	546	1,258	463	15,313
Interest n.e.i. .. ..	1,394	5,075	2,554	5,094	2,436	3,622	20,175
Commonwealth Grants(e)	76,152	53,590	32,216	(f) 24,753	(f) 25,903	(f) 10,776	223,390
Commonwealth National Welfare Fund Payments .. ..	5,316	1,313	4	725	454	273	8,085
All other sources .. ..	17,449	7,079	3,548	4,674	3,703	1,199	37,652
Total Revenue 1957-58 .. ..	231,510	142,336	87,955	66,342	57,054	(g) 19,986	605,183
Total Revenue per head .. ..	£ s. d. 63 5 8	£ s. d. 51 16 9	£ s. d. 62 13 7	£ s. d. 74 17 7	£ s. d. 81 13 6	£ s. d. 59 16 5	£ s. d. 62 5 3
1956-57 .. ..	223,820	133,254	85,158	61,561	54,331	(g) 18,801	576,934
1955-56 .. ..	204,309	123,152	75,669	55,352	49,612	(g) 17,827	526,011
1954-55 .. ..	195,438	116,789	73,820	48,684	46,070	(g) 14,495	495,296
1953-54 .. ..	188,692	106,748	69,696	48,376	43,596	(g) 13,285	470,393
1952-53 .. ..	182,848	96,995	63,171	44,251	38,725	(g) 12,061	438,051
EXPENDITURE.							
1957-58.							
Interest and Charges on Public Debt .. ..	28,571	23,919	13,436	14,596	10,066	6,535	97,123
Railways .. ..	67,584	35,932	35,757	14,944	15,904	..	170,121
Tramways and Omnibuses .. ..	13,720	..	..	..	1,242	..	14,962
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. ..	2,126	4,822	765	5,243	4,243	(h) 1,537	18,736
Education .. ..	41,173	28,680	12,339	9,128	9,020	4,362	104,702
Hospitals .. ..	23,070	18,093	8,696	5,307	5,078	1,877	62,121
Other Charities .. ..	4,249	4,944	2,521	1,012	1,464	766	14,956
All Other Expenditure .. ..	(d) 50,971	29,159	15,956	(d) 11,612	(i) 11,160	(i) 5,721	129,479
Total Expenditure 1957-58 .. ..	231,464	145,549	89,470	66,742	58,177	(g) 20,798	612,200
Total Expenditure per head .. ..	£ s. d. 63 5 5	£ s. d. 53 15 3	£ s. d. 63 15 2	£ s. d. 75 6 7	£ s. d. 83 5 8	£ s. d. 62 5 0	£ s. d. 63 3 11
1956-57 .. ..	223,700	137,565	85,142	61,610	56,243	(g) 19,615	583,875
1955-56 .. ..	211,232	126,398	77,392	56,782	51,443	(g) 17,712	540,959
1954-55 .. ..	197,586	115,453	73,602	50,918	46,554	(g) 14,707	498,820
1953-54 .. ..	188,564	106,037	69,353	46,566	43,699	(g) 13,270	467,489
1952-53 .. ..	182,751	97,360	62,980	44,226	39,233	(g) 11,763	438,313

(a) In addition to Consolidated Revenue Fund, includes Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—included in the Annual Budget Papers. To avoid duplication within the combined accounts, the following deductions have been made from expenditure—(i) £7,915,000 on account of debt charges not recouped to Consolidated Revenue Fund from Business Undertakings and (ii) £450,000 for contributions from Consolidated Revenue Fund towards losses on Tramways and Omnibus services. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State 1957-58, see p. 84. (c) Gross collections. (d) To avoid duplication the following Treasury Transfers to Railway revenue have been excluded—New South Wales, £1,000,000; South Australia £4,300,000. (e) Includes Commonwealth tax reimbursements. (f) Includes balance of Special Grant for 1955-56—South Australia, +£842,000; Western Australia, +£322,000; Tasmania, —£816,000. (g) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of the Transport Commission. (h) Losses of Transport Commission and contribution to Metropolitan Transport Trust. (i) Includes reduction of previous years' deficits; South Australia, £842,000; Western Australia, £322,000; Tasmania, —£816,000.

**STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR, 1957-58.**  
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
<b>Works and Services—</b>							
Railways .. ..	12,263	7,012	4,472	1,868	2,124	Cr. 49	27,690
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	1,154			680	Cr. 20	100	1,914
Roads and Bridges ..	150	1,545	Cr. 667	15			
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, etc. ..	2,708	283	19	1,095	699	515	6,362
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	4,057	6,923	Cr. 4,557	4,922	3,124	127	14,596
Electricity Supply ..	10,229	3,200		2,960	1,240	5,985	23,614
Gas Supply ..		150					150
Public Buildings ..	14,887	15,220	3,647	5,962	2,945	2,400	45,061
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 17	Cr. 2					Cr. 19
Housing ..	Cr. 165	330	1,593	1,913	1,150	107	4,928
Other(b) ..	379	583	10,354	63	955	493	12,827
<b>Primary Production—</b>							
Land Settlement(c) ..	1,343	1,728	404	59		Cr. 13	3,521
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	5,513		2,333	1,047	724		9,617
Other ..	109	584	2,424	602	790	264	4,773
Other purposes ..		865		566	405	115	1,951
<b>Total Works, etc. ..</b>	<b>52,610</b>	<b>38,421</b>	<b>20,022</b>	<b>21,752</b>	<b>14,136</b>	<b>10,044</b>	<b>156,985</b>
Per Head ..	£ s. d. 14 7 7	£ s. d. 14 3 10	£ s. d. 14 5 4	£ s. d. 24 11 0	£ s. d. 20 4 9	£ s. d. 30 1 3	£ s. d. 16 4 1
<b>Non-Works—</b>							
Revenue, etc., Deficits ..		4,315			1,509	701	6,525
Other(d) ..	Cr. 986	Cr. 351	Cr. 590		Cr. 201	88	Cr. 2,040
<b>Grand Total ..</b>	<b>51,624</b>	<b>42,385</b>	<b>19,432</b>	<b>21,752</b>	<b>15,444</b>	<b>10,833</b>	<b>161,470</b>

**TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1958.**  
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)(e)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
<b>Works and Services—</b>							
Railways .. ..	284,555	149,103	116,133	59,198	63,297	14,684	686,970
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	21,339			8,784	1,926	544	32,593
Roads and Bridges ..	22,141	22,729	8,998	4,992	3,183		
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, etc. ..	39,426	3,907	4,122	16,055	15,710	13,027	154,290
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	59,083	108,383	8,734	66,220	35,758	2,205	280,383
Electricity Supply ..	118,989	50,689		45,570	18,847	71,350	305,445
Gas Supply ..		12,039					12,039
Public Buildings ..	114,620	103,519	33,260	30,458	21,865	17,424	321,146
Unemployment Relief ..	15,924	13,147					29,071
Housing ..	8,278	10,716	11,411	38,524	10,064	14,693	93,686
Other(b) ..	15,870	7,397	64,920	2,896	4,481	5,593	101,157
<b>Primary Production—</b>							
Land Settlement(c) ..	44,253	99,738	11,297	9,758	13,205	2,573	180,824
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	64,712		14,710	16,045	8,420		103,887
Other ..	18,976	21,744	30,059	17,051	15,812	3,235	106,877
Other purposes ..	189	12,260		5,946	23,052	2,648	44,095
<b>Total Works, etc. ..</b>	<b>828,355</b>	<b>615,371</b>	<b>303,644</b>	<b>321,497</b>	<b>235,620</b>	<b>147,976</b>	<b>2,452,463</b>
<b>Non-Works—</b>							
Revenue, etc., Deficits ..	38,948	23,015	5,826	8,683	14,306	4,717	95,495
Other(d) ..	29,594	11,629	15,580	4,495	7,526	2,226	71,050
<b>Grand Total ..</b>	<b>896,897</b>	<b>650,015</b>	<b>325,050</b>	<b>334,675</b>	<b>257,452</b>	<b>154,919</b>	<b>2,619,008</b>

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of loans; includes expenditure under Loan Funds, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes loans to Local Bodies, etc. (c) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldier Land Settlement. (d) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, etc. (e) Aggregate gross loan expenditure.

**STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1958.**

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Sta.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Sta.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (c)
New South Wales ..	667,470	107,956	12,036	787,462	26,335	3,994	477	30,806
Victoria ..	475,104	38,572	4,537	518,213	19,267	1,276	191	20,734
Queensland ..	237,958	43,270	4,719	285,947	9,216	1,436	184	10,836
South Australia ..	261,108	30,961	2,752	294,821	10,495	995	118	11,608
Western Australia ..	187,373	29,530	1,525	218,428	7,371	902	65	8,338
Tasmania ..	135,941	6,466	654	143,061	5,504	218	30	5,752
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>1,964,954</b>	<b>256,755</b>	<b>26,223</b>	<b>2,247,932</b>	<b>78,188</b>	<b>8,821</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>88,074</b>

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State public debt leaving out of account differences in currency. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

### CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Six States.	Common- wealth.	Grand Total. (b)
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1957.									
Revenue—									
Commonwealth Grants ..	29,755	21,224	12,428	10,613	11,461	3,870	89,351	..	..
Taxation ..	16,498	12,049	5,182	4,146	2,428	1,599	41,902	396,450	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	37,236	17,955	18,908	7,118	6,195	..	87,412	2,368	..
Other ..	8,410	222	..	3,790	2,433	..	14,855	50,468	..
Other ..	11,914	7,148	4,907	4,650	3,334	2,472	34,425	21,763	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>103,813</b>	<b>53,598</b>	<b>41,425</b>	<b>30,317</b>	<b>25,851</b>	<b>7,941</b>	<b>267,945</b>	<b>471,049</b>	<b>640,940</b>
Expenditure—									
Grants to States(c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	110,261	..
Debt Services ..	14,169	11,973	6,362	6,736	4,976	3,185	47,401	37,887	..
Business Undertakings(d)—									
Railways ..	36,931	18,778	18,680	7,902	8,231	(e) 704	91,226	1,900	..
Other ..	7,878	345	..	2,545	2,084	(f) 90	12,942	53,172	..
Other ..	51,560	38,453	21,010	14,513	13,931	6,093	145,560	363,376	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>110,538</b>	<b>69,549</b>	<b>46,052</b>	<b>31,696</b>	<b>29,222</b>	<b>10,072</b>	<b>297,129</b>	<b>566,596</b>	<b>765,671</b>
<b>Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..</b>	<b>—6,725</b>	<b>—10,951</b>	<b>—4,627</b>	<b>—1,379</b>	<b>—3,371</b>	<b>—2,131</b>	<b>—20,184</b>	<b>—95,547</b>	<b>—124,731</b>

SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.

Revenue—									
Commonwealth Grants ..	31,940	22,845	14,311	10,632	12,926	4,365	97,019	..	..
Taxation ..	16,880	13,180	5,455	4,623	2,425	1,663	44,226	411,048	..
Business Undertakings									
Railways ..	37,802	18,405	19,183	6,444	6,072	..	87,496	2,433	..
Other ..	7,752	201	..	3,897	2,576	2,619	17,045	55,696	..
Other ..	11,754	6,939	10,285	5,259	3,646	..	37,883	18,014	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>105,628</b>	<b>61,660</b>	<b>49,234</b>	<b>30,855</b>	<b>27,645</b>	<b>8,647</b>	<b>283,669</b>	<b>487,191</b>	<b>665,329</b>
Expenditure—									
Grants to States(c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	122,839	..
Debt Services ..	14,862	12,978	6,801	7,354	5,382	3,361	50,788	36,632	..
Business Undertakings(d)—									
Railways ..	35,437	17,959	18,308	4,963	8,018	(e) 485	85,170	1,923	..
Other ..	7,846	300	..	2,354	2,145	(f) 129	12,765	55,564	..
Other ..	55,895	41,599	28,270	17,662	16,300	7,530	167,256	403,041	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>114,040</b>	<b>72,836</b>	<b>53,379</b>	<b>32,333</b>	<b>31,845</b>	<b>11,496</b>	<b>315,929</b>	<b>619,999</b>	<b>830,397</b>
<b>Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..</b>	<b>—8,412</b>	<b>—11,176</b>	<b>—4,145</b>	<b>—2,478</b>	<b>—4,200</b>	<b>—2,849</b>	<b>—33,260</b>	<b>—132,808</b>	<b>—165,068</b>

(a) Represents the combined transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and the Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—Included in the Annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payments to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State Consolidated Revenue Funds in respect of interest on State debts, special grants, uniform taxation, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and National Welfare Fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated. (c) Includes payments to State trust funds. (d) Excludes interest, etc., charges. (e) Loss by Transport Commission. (f) Contribution towards working expenses of Metropolitan Transport Commission.

### NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(£'000.)

Six months ended December—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total Six States.	Common- wealth. (a)	Grand Total.
1957 .. ..	22,236	16,696	9,525	7,937	5,738	2,731	64,863	18,788	83,651
1958 .. ..	24,204	15,557	7,463	7,534	7,776	3,413	66,002	18,178	84,180

(a) Excludes payment to National Debt Sinking Fund on account of the International Bank Dollar Loans, payment to Swiss Loan Trust Account on account of Swiss Loans and payment to Canadian Loan Trust Account on account of Canadian Loan.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1957-58.(a)

(£'000.)

State, etc.	Income Taxes.	Customs and Excise.	Land Tax	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.l.).	Motor Taxes.	Enter-tainments (including Racing).	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
New South Wales ..	25	..	6,002	10,756	11,387	12,981	2,953	4,448	48,552
Victoria ..	3	..	4,607	8,065	6,253	11,367	3,910	5,906	40,111
Queensland ..	2	..	1,468	3,138	3,295	5,963	328	3,177	17,371
South Australia ..	1	..	1,390	2,059	1,514	3,760	1,113	336	10,173
Western Australia ..	2	..	1,522	1,090	1,416	2,225	1,004	502	7,761
Tasmania ..	..	..	407	572	662	1,224	544	677	4,086
Total States ..	33	..	15,396	25,680	24,527	37,520	9,852	15,046	128,054
Commonwealth ..	650,419	303,051	11	13,774	..	..	..	6194,278	1,161,533
Grand Total ..	650,452	303,051	15,407	39,454	24,527	37,520	9,852	209,324	1,289,587

## PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

New South Wales ..	0 0 1	..	1 12 10	2 18 10	3 2 3	3 11 0	0 16 1	1 4 4	13 5 5
Victoria ..	..	..	1 14 0	2 19 7	2 6 2	4 4 0	1 8 11	2 3 8	14 16 4
Queensland ..	..	..	1 0 11	2 4 9	2 7 0	4 5 0	0 4 8	2 5 3	12 7 7
South Australia ..	..	..	1 11 5	2 6 6	1 14 2	4 4 11	1 5 1	0 7 7	11 9 8
Western Australia ..	0 0 1	..	2 3 7	1 11 3	2 0 7	3 3 8	1 8 9	0 14 4	11 2 3
Tasmania ..	..	..	1 4 5	1 14 3	1 19 7	3 13 3	1 12 7	2 0 6	12 4 7
Total States ..	0 0 1	..	1 11 9	2 13 0	2 10 7	3 17 5	1 0 4	1 11 2	13 4 4
Commonwealth ..	66 14 9	31 1 11	..	1 8 3	..	..	..	19 18 9	119 3 8
Grand Total ..	66 14 10	31 1 11	1 11 7	4 1 0	2 10 4	3 17 0	1 0 3	21 9 7	132 6 6

(a) Includes taxes paid to special funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 75 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Includes Sales Tax £137,777,000, £14 2s. 8d. per head of population; and Pay-roll Tax, £48,532,000, £4 19s. 8d. per head of population.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

(£'000.)

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Income Taxes.	Customs and Excise.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
1953-54 ..	528,181	220,217	95,689	56,363	900,450	80,400	980,850
1954-55 ..	532,916	244,403	100,446	59,848	937,613	89,486	1,027,099
1955-56 ..	573,988	255,772	110,001	64,019	1,003,780	97,900	1,101,680
1956-57 ..	620,298	286,037	125,752	66,649	1,098,736	114,535	1,213,271
1957-58 ..	650,419	303,051	137,777	70,286	1,161,533	128,054	1,289,587

## PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

1953-54 ..	59 6 11	24 14 10	10 15 0	6 6 8	101 3 5	9 1 7	110 4 1
1954-55 ..	58 12 6	26 17 9	11 1 0	6 11 8	103 2 11	9 17 11	112 19 10
1955-56 ..	61 12 4	27 9 1	11 16 2	6 17 5	107 15 0	10 11 4	118 5 3
1956-57 ..	65 1 1	30 0 0	13 3 9	6 19 10	115 4 8	12 1 8	127 4 11
1957-58 ..	66 14 9	31 1 11	14 2 8	7 4 4	119 3 8	13 4 4	132 6 6

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1957-58.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Tax Reimbursement ..	61,721	43,996	25,919	15,259	13,061	5,864	165,820
State Tax Collections ..	48,552	40,111	17,371	10,173	7,761	4,086	128,054
Total ..	110,273	84,107	43,290	25,432	20,822	9,950	293,874
Per head of population	£ s. d. 30 2 10	£ s. d. 31 1 4	£ s. d. 30 17 0	£ s. d. 28 14 1	£ s. d. 29 16 2	£ s. d. 29 15 7	£ s. d. 30 6 8

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable or payable.	At 30th June—				At 31st December. 1958.
		1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	
TOTAL DEBT. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-18)	Australia £A.	126,545	122,346	112,606	97,140	95,256
	London £Stg.(a)	7,534	7,534	7,534	7,534	7,534
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	1,439,107	1,399,347	1,334,093	1,190,558	1,112,429
	London £Stg.	5,725	5,725	5,725	5,655	5,655
Works, etc. . .	Australia £A.	232,797	268,287	299,297	301,506	438,968
	London £Stg.	49,036	48,796	48,711	48,476	50,806
	New York £(b)	50,722	59,199	62,145	68,849	72,798
	Switzerland £(c)	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251
	Canada £(b) . .	..	3,082	3,069	2,907	2,892
Total ..	Australia £A.	1,798,449	1,789,980	1,745,996	1,589,204	1,646,653
	London £Stg.	62,295	62,055	61,970	61,665	64,095
	New York £(b)	50,722	59,199	62,145	68,849	72,798
	Switzerland £(c)	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251
	Canada £(b) . .	..	3,082	3,069	2,907	2,892
Total(d) ..	..	1,923,717	1,926,567	1,885,431	1,734,876	1,798,689
State ..	Australia £A.	1,515,483	1,651,242	1,822,442	1,964,954	2,012,007
	London £Stg.	288,724	288,449	261,621	256,755	268,713
	New York £(b)	21,520	22,336	22,414	26,223	30,317
Total(d) ..	..	1,825,727	1,962,027	2,106,477	2,247,932	2,311,037
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	3,313,932	3,441,222	3,568,438	3,554,158	3,658,660
	London £Stg.	351,019	350,504	323,591	318,420	332,807
	New York £(b)	72,242	81,535	84,559	95,072	103,116
	Switzerland £(c)	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251	12,251
	Canada £(b) . .	..	3,082	3,069	2,907	2,892
Total(d) ..	..	3,749,444	3,888,594	3,991,908	3,982,808	4,109,726

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.  
(£ s. d.)

Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	360 3 8	365 0 4	370 1 1	360 19 0	369 13 10
	London £Stg.	38 3 0	37 3 7	33 11 2	32 6 9	32 12 7
	New York £(b)	7 17 0	8 13 0	8 15 4	9 13 1	10 8 5
	Switzerland £(c)	1 6 8	1 6 0	1 5 5	1 4 11	1 4 9
	Canada £(b) ..	..	0 6 7	0 6 4	0 5 11	0 5 10
Total(d) ..	..	407 10 4	412 9 6	413 19 4	404 9 8	415 5 5

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.  
(£'000.)

Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	104,840	111,840	121,703	125,321	128,062
	London £Stg.(a)	11,363	11,387	10,693	11,014	11,322
	New York £(b)	2,937	2,937	3,633	4,143	4,538
	Switzerland £(c)	475	475	475	475	475
	Canada £(b) ..	..	116	123	116	119
Total(e) ..	..	119,615	127,238	136,627	141,069	145,016

AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE PER CENT.  
(£ s. d.)

Commonwealth and State ..	Australia ..	3 3 3	3 5 0	3 8 3	3 10 7	3 10 1
	London(a) ..	3 4 9	3 5 0	3 6 1	3 9 2	3 11 0
	New York ..	4 1 4	4 3 11	4 5 11	4 7 2	4 8 0
	Switzerland ..	3 17 6	3 17 6	3 17 6	3 17 6	3 17 6
	Canada ..	..	3 15 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 2 5
Total ..	..	3 3 10	3 5 5	3 8 6	3 10 10	3 10 8

(a) Excludes debt (£79,724,000) and interest payable (£3,920,000) due to United Kingdom Government under the Funding Arrangements Act 1921. Repayment of this debt and payment of interest were suspended in 1931 by arrangement with the United Kingdom Government. (b) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (c) Payable in Swiss francs converted on the basis of 9.79512 fr. to £1. (d) The total "face" or "book" values of the public debt of the Commonwealth and States, without adjustment on account of differences in currency (see note (b)). (e) Nominal amount, taking no account of exchange.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)  
(£'000.)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—					At 31st December.
		1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A. ..	190,000	160,000	165,000	150,000	140,000	232,000
	London £Stg. ..	470	220	..	..	..	..
State ..	Australia £A. ..	..	..	..	..	..	5,000
	London £Stg. ..	22,863	26,068	26,063	..	..	..
Total ..	Australia £A. ..	190,000	160,000	165,000	150,000	140,000	237,000
	London £Stg. ..	23,333	26,288	26,063	..	..	..

(a) Included above; excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

## SECTION IX.—SOCIAL STATISTICS.

## COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.(a)

(£'000.)

Service.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	1956-57.	1957-58.
Social Services—					
Age and Invalid Pensions .. ..	81,293	88,006	101,625	109,210	121,577
Child Endowment .. ..	50,761	52,530	60,381	57,037	53,734
Commonwealth Rehabilitation Service ..	429	451	505	568	608
Funeral Benefits .. ..	288	304	319	341	325
Maternity Allowances .. ..	3,226	3,362	3,410	3,482	3,560
Unemployment, Sickness and Special Benefits .. ..	4,543	2,640	2,563	4,000	7,331
Widows' Pensions .. ..	6,626	6,862	7,723	8,862	9,832
National Health Services—					
Hospital Benefits .. ..	8,330	9,321	9,553	9,813	10,823
Medical Benefits .. ..	1,434	4,210	5,413	6,146	7,086
Medical Benefits for Pensioners .. ..	2,115	2,516	2,874	2,999	3,198
Mental Institution Benefits .. ..	495	225	..	..	..
Nutrition of Children .. ..	1,999	2,237	2,405	2,607	2,756
Pharmaceutical Benefits .. ..	8,219	9,445	10,380	9,924	12,911
Pharmaceutical Benefits for Pensioners ..	1,011	1,295	1,508	1,793	2,123
Tuberculosis Campaign .. ..	5,580	5,657	5,097	6,216	5,766
Miscellaneous .. ..	216	258	510	925	855
Total .. ..	176,565	189,319	214,866	223,923	247,485

(a) Includes only expenditure from the National Welfare Fund. Administration and capital expenditure are excluded.

## COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.

State and Year.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.		Pensions Paid during Year ended 30th June.(a)	
	Age.	Invalid.	Total. (b)	Age.	Invalid.	Age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per Head of Pop'n.
1958—						£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000	£ s. d.
New South Wales ..	205,910	23,793	234,703	558	78	8 8	3 8 13	50,353	13 15 3
Victoria ..	123,536	20,019	143,555	451	73	8 5	8 8 8	29,796	11 0 1
Queensland ..	72,804	14,230	87,034	514	100	8 6	2 8 12	18,343	13 1 6
South Australia ..	45,507	5,862	51,369	507	65	8 6	9 11 8	10,716	12 1 11
Western Australia ..	33,124	5,519	38,643	470	78	8 5	11 8 9	8,077	11 11 3
Tasmania ..	15,114	2,883	17,997	451	86	8 6	1 15 6	4,034	12 1 6
Northern Territory ..	161	53	214	82	27	8 8	6 8 19	45	2 7 4
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	601	92	693	146	22	8 4	8 11 4	147	3 14 11
Abroad ..	(c)	(c)	(c)	..	..	..	..	66	..
Australia ..	496,757	77,451	574,208	505	79	8 6 11	3 11 9	121,577	12 9 7
1957 ..	465,781	88,236	554,017	483	92	7 12 10	7 17 8	109,210	11 9 1
1956 ..	446,207	82,775	528,982	473	89	7 13 7	7 16 10	101,625	10 18 2
1955 ..	425,556	78,498	504,054	463	85	6 14 7	6 17 7	88,006	9 13 8
1954 ..	397,784	73,732	471,516	443	82	6 14 2	6 16 10	81,293	9 2 8

(a) Includes amounts paid to benevolent homes for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these homes and allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (b) Excludes the following numbers of age and invalid pensioners in benevolent homes: 1954, 6,463; 1955, 6,132; 1956, 6,244. 1957 and 1958 figures include persons in benevolent homes. (c) Included in figures for State in which pensioner is permanently domiciled.

NOTE: Age pensions are payable to women over 60 years of age and to men over 65 years of age; invalid pensions are payable to persons who are permanently incapacitated for work or who are permanently blind. The maximum weekly rate of pension at the 30th June, 1954 and 1955, was £3 10s.; 1956, £4; 1957, £4, 1958, £4 7s. 6d. An allowance is also payable for the wife and children of an invalid pensioner. Age and invalid pensions (except those paid to blind persons) are subject to a means test on income and property.

## COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT.

State and Year.	Endowed Families at 30th June.		Number per 10,000 of Population.		Amount paid during Year ended 30th June.	
	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Claims.	Endowed Children. (a)	Amount.	Per Head of Population.
1958—					£'000.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	531,556	1,111,199	1,441	3,012	21,219	5 16 0
Victoria ..	383,926	818,258	1,400	2,985	15,719	5 16 1
Queensland ..	204,503	466,846	1,443	3,294	9,117	6 10 0
South Australia ..	132,079	286,358	1,473	3,193	5,430	6 2 7
Western Australia	104,472	234,265	1,481	3,322	4,572	6 10 11
Tasmania ..	49,812	114,832	1,485	3,424	2,237	6 13 11
Northern Territory	3,043	6,658	1,554	3,401	180	9 9 2
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	5,818	12,923	1,413	3,139	248	6 6 3
Abroad ..	169	360	..	..	12	..
Australia ..	1,415,378	3,051,699	1,437	3,099	58,734	6 0 7
1957 ..	1,378,169	2,957,046	1,429	3,066	57,037	5 19 8
1956 ..	1,339,807	2,854,524	1,421	3,028	60,381	6 9 8
1955 ..	1,304,227	2,764,167	1,418	3,004	52,530	5 15 7
1954 ..	1,280,439	2,689,577	1,425	2,993	50,761	5 14 1

(a) Excludes endowed children in institutions at 30th June, 1958, 22,246 in 415 institutions; 1957, 21,145 in 397 institutions; 1956, 21,140 in 392 institutions; 1955, 24,394 in 392 institutions; 1954, 27,397 in 387 institutions.

NOTE: The weekly rates of endowment are: 5s. for the first child in a family; 10s. for each other child in a family; 10s. for each child in an institution.

## COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS.

State and Year.	Pensions Current at 30th June.(a)				Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.	Pensions paid during Year ended 30th June.	
	Class "A" Pensioners.(b)	Other Widows. (c)	All Widows.	Per 10,000 of Population.		Amount.	Per Head of Population.
1958—					£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	8,106	10,487	18,593	50	8 10 4	3,901	1 1 5
Victoria ..	4,931	6,321	11,252	41	8 6 3	2,331	17 3
Queensland ..	3,882	3,902	7,784	55	8 12 1	1,676	1 3 11
South Australia ..	1,809	2,257	4,066	45	8 7 11	844	19 0
Western Australia	1,365	2,177	3,542	50	8 2 7	708	1 0 3
Tasmania ..	817	764	1,581	47	8 12 6	339	1 0 3
Northern Territory	17	14	31	16	9 4 1	6	6 11
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	43	36	79	19	8 11 9	19	9 10
Abroad ..	(d)	(d)	(d)	..	..	8	..
Australia ..	20,970	25,958	46,928	48	8 9 0	9,832	1 0 2
1957 ..	20,648	24,768	45,416	47	7 15 1	8,862	18 7
1956 ..	19,511	23,419	42,930	46	7 7 6	7,723	16 7
1955 ..	18,683	22,864	41,547	45	6 8 2	6,862	15 1
1954 ..	18,100	22,626	40,726	45	6 6 8	6,626	14 11

(a) Excludes the following numbers of pensioners in benevolent homes: 1954, 16; 1955, 14; 1956, 17. 1957 and 1958 figures include persons in benevolent homes. (b) A widow who has at least one child under 16. The maximum weekly rate of pension at the 30th June, 1954 and 1955 was £3 15s.; 1956, £4 5s.; 1957, £4 5s.; 1958, £4 12s. 6d. (Since October, 1956, an allowance of 10s. has been payable for each child after the first). (c) A widow who is not less than 50, and is without children under 16; a widow without children who is in need, for not more than 26 weeks after the death of her husband, or until the birth of her child if she is pregnant; a woman whose husband has been in prison for six months, if she is not under 50, or if she has at least one child under 16. The maximum weekly rate of pension at the 30th June, 1954 and 1955 was £2 17s. 6d.; 1956 and 1957, £3 7s. 6d.; 1958, £3 15s. 0d. (d) Included in the figures for the State in which the pensioner is permanently domiciled.

NOTE.—Widows' pensions are subject to a means test on income and property.

## COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Overseas.	Australia.
NUMBER OF CLAIMS PAID.										
1952-53..	(a)74,011	55,297	31,058	(b)19,068	15,535	7,983	(c)	(d)	90	203,042
1953-54..	(a)72,380	54,219	30,889	(b)18,749	15,803	7,726	(c)	(d)	48	199,814
1954-55..	76,614	55,720	31,782	18,506	16,261	7,940	481	787	88	208,179
1955-56..	75,591	58,385	32,764	19,036	17,180	8,328	510	961	110	212,865
1956-57..	77,387	59,648	32,882	19,929	16,853	8,166	579	1,067	106	216,617
1957-58..	79,220	60,666	34,000	20,001	16,829	8,509	666	1,137	121	221,149

AMOUNT PAID. (£.)										
1952-53..	a1,195,046	872,085	496,982	b 305,264	248,925	128,125	(c)	(d)	1,878	3,248,305
1953-54..	a1,173,058	874,376	496,802	b 301,146	253,442	125,400	(c)	(d)	1,695	3,225,919
1954-55..	1,250,268	892,301	512,445	297,284	261,129	127,502	7,435	12,551	1,392	3,362,307
1955-56..	1,207,471	935,155	525,779	304,392	276,123	136,512	8,129	15,125	1,722	3,410,408
1956-57..	1,251,911	948,575	532,563	319,188	271,128	131,000	9,117	17,066	1,668	3,482,206
1957-58..	1,281,244	968,576	547,530	323,241	271,032	137,651	10,708	18,168	1,878	3,560,028

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

(c) Included with

South Australia. (d) Included with New South Wales.

NOTE.—Allowances payable are as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years, £15; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years, £16; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years, £17 10s. Where more than one child is born at a birth the allowance is increased by £5 in respect of each additional child born at that birth. The allowance is not subject to a means test.

## UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS PAID.(a)

(For particulars of weekly average number of persons on benefit see page 96.)

(£.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
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## UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

1952-53	2,686,297	923,732	662,099	132,042	123,732	41,845	..	..	4,569,747
1953-54	1,247,216	507,076	581,865	50,213	75,904	42,589	..	..	2,505,463
1954-55	253,974	99,305	270,416	12,386	26,709	15,952	112	554	679,438
1955-56	215,672	69,664	287,871	10,961	76,888	9,963	73	728	(d) 671,820
1956-57	669,798	530,959	418,997	113,653	836,846	23,045	105	2,633	2,096,036
1957-58	1,726,525	1,011,801	1,281,756	305,549	482,735	103,820	1,976	5,613	4,919,775

Quarter ended—

December, 1957	334,082	229,095	234,594	71,248	114,937	33,482	100	855	1,018,393
March, 1958	565,450	283,506	568,918	79,040	124,761	23,482	629	2,176	1,628,571
June, "	497,934	239,224	377,815	101,012	129,392	20,568	1,224	2,010	1,419,279
September, "	621,099	378,920	171,962	126,408	185,993	43,037	325	1,473	1,529,217
December, "	531,397	297,856	187,111	90,889	155,006	42,706	114	1,768	1,307,447

## SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1952-53	546,432	370,354	208,889	133,783	84,682	49,154	..	..	1,393,294
1953-54	697,949	405,414	257,633	153,042	106,836	54,719	..	..	1,675,593
1954-55	673,235	387,452	254,982	137,117	98,868	51,716	1,550	2,913	1,607,842
1955-56	641,550	350,172	234,952	134,243	93,854	50,901	1,487	2,914	(d) 1,519,073
1956-57	639,342	339,414	243,000	136,332	96,907	47,243	1,361	3,927	1,498,526
1957-58	792,335	406,032	304,761	157,379	130,959	58,744	1,821	5,232	1,857,263

Quarter ended—

December, 1957	200,785	92,970	80,619	42,000	33,835	15,402	515	993	467,119
March, 1958	215,686	111,092	83,912	39,352	34,437	14,697	421	1,553	501,150
June, "	219,461	125,369	85,232	42,654	37,583	15,921	455	1,705	528,380
September, "	244,718	128,686	83,491	45,720	41,480	19,526	268	1,498	565,387
December, "	224,240	124,704	87,341	46,975	38,252	19,805	541	1,680	543,538

(a) In addition £292,431 (Australian total) was paid in special benefits during 1952-53; £362,398 during 1953-54; £352,587 during 1954-55; £372,220 during 1955-56; £404,866 during 1956-57; and £553,706 during 1957-58; these amounts include payments to migrants in reception and training centres.

(b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory to June, 1954.

(c) Includes the Northern Territory to June, 1954.

(d) Does not include special variations of advances for payments in regional areas, made at the end of the year.

NOTE.—The rate of benefit per week is £3 5s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus £2 7s. 6d. for dependent spouse and 10s. for the first dependent child. For unmarried juveniles the rate of benefit is £1 15s. if under 18 years and £2 7s. 6d. if 18 and under 21 years. In certain cases £2 7s. 6d. per week may be paid in respect of claimant's housekeeper. Rates operated from 17th October, 1957. Permissible weekly income from other sources is £2 for adults and married persons and £1 for unmarried persons under 21. For unemployment benefit, permissible income means income of claimant and spouse; for sickness benefit, permissible income means income of claimant only, but excludes amounts of up to £2 per week from a friendly society. There is a waiting period of seven days during which no payment is made.

## AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS.

## (i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment and Year.	Number of War Pensions Current at 30th June.				Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.			Expenditure during Year ended 30th June.
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.	
1958—								
New South Wales(a) ..	69,608	122,405	17,194	209,207	£ s. d. 5 8 10	£ s. d. 1 16 6	£ s. d. 3 0 7	£'000. 16,824
Victoria ..	59,430	106,161	14,246	179,837	5 14 1	1 17 1	3 2 6	14,871
Queensland ..	27,158	53,314	5,266	85,738	6 5 2	1 12 2	3 1 8	6,919
South Australia(b) ..	20,138	41,658	4,224	66,020	5 10 7	1 10 9	2 15 1	4,813
Western Australia ..	18,076	33,406	3,769	55,251	4 19 6	1 11 9	2 13 11	4,008
Tasmania ..	8,318	17,360	1,560	27,238	6 7 4	1 12 1	3 1 0	2,212
Abroad ..	1,711	2,125	1,235	5,071	5 17 6	3 16 7	4 10 4	631
Total ..	204,439	376,429	47,494	628,362	5 12 8	1 15 2	3 0 5	50,278
1957 ..	201,714	364,397	47,179	613,290	5 1 10	1 13 11	2 16 3	45,204
1956 ..	199,290	353,316	47,008	599,614	5 0 3	1 13 11	2 16 0	43,166
1955 ..	196,255	340,361	46,921	583,537	4 13 2	1 12 8	2 13 0	41,504
1954 ..	192,203	324,514	46,949	563,666	4 6 9	1 11 5	2 10 4	36,797
1953 ..	188,395	308,757	46,822	543,974	4 1 1	1 11 1	2 8 5	34,356

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

## (ii) Service Pensions.

State of Payment and Year.	Number of Service Pensions Current at 30th June paid to—						Average Fort- nightly Pension at 30th June.	Expendi- ture during Year ended 30th June.
	Members of Forces who are—			Dependants of Members of Forces who are—		Total.		
	Aged.	Perman- ently Unem- ployable.	Sufferers from Pul- monary Tuber- culosis.	Perman- ently Unem- ployable.	Sufferers from Pul- monary Tuber- culosis.			
1958—								
New South							£ s. d.	£'000.
Wales(a) ..	5,827	3,624	548	3,673	838	14,510	5 11 9	1,900
Victoria ..	3,379	2,958	351	2,880	490	10,058	5 5 11	1,320
Queensland ..	2,480	1,898	256	2,015	424	7,073	5 6 11	946
South Australia(b)	1,309	1,081	110	1,145	187	3,832	5 9 9	520
Western Aus- tralia ..	1,903	1,252	159	1,159	199	4,672	5 19 8	697
Tasmania ..	467	659	53	795	84	2,058	4 14 1	247
Australia ..	15,365	11,472	1,477	11,667	2,222	42,203	5 9 4	5,630
1957 .. ..	13,547	10,794	1,449	11,074	2,213	39,077	5 3 2	4,907
1956 .. ..	11,881	9,733	1,266	10,001	1,894	34,775	5 3 10	4,140
1955 .. ..	10,566	5,555	379	5,236	530	22,316	5 7 9	3,012
1954 .. ..	9,648	5,294	321	5,092	451	20,806	5 4 2	2,695
1953 .. ..	8,703	4,971	291	4,780	432	19,177	4 16 6	2,225

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes the Northern Territory.

## GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.

State or Territory and Year.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
			Average Weekly Enrolment.	Average Daily Attendance
GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.				
1956—				
New South Wales(a) ..	2,614	16,724	510,848	457,901
Victoria .. ..	2,039	12,194	336,343	306,845
Queensland .. ..	1,560	7,337	(b) 203,097	182,426
South Australia ..	662	4,670	(c) 133,235	123,837
Western Australia ..	488	3,507	100,632	94,469
Tasmania .. ..	277	2,331	55,578	51,768
Northern Territory ..	10	77	2,039	1,835
Australia .. ..	7,650	46,840	1,341,772	1,219,081
1955 .. ..	7,619	45,104	1,274,835	1,153,628
1954 .. ..	7,607	42,414	1,209,149	1,089,484
1953 .. ..	7,595	40,237	1,149,915	1,037,621
1952 .. ..	7,620	38,407	1,088,087	974,934
1951 .. ..	7,648	36,740	1,012,874	899,514
1950 .. ..	7,790	36,085	958,112	844,123

## NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.(d)

1956—				
New South Wales(a) ..	789	6,369	167,035	155,732
Victoria .. ..	521	3,920	135,170	(e) 121,700
Queensland .. ..	286	2,121	58,579	53,685
South Australia ..	163	1,268	29,050	26,794
Western Australia ..	275	1,094	31,761	29,920
Tasmania .. ..	52	422	10,757	7,988
Northern Territory ..	2	11	633	470
Australia .. ..	2,088	15,205	432,985	(e) 396,289
1955 .. ..	2,051	14,768	409,945	(e) 374,600
1954 .. ..	2,014	14,428	388,312	352,736
1953 .. ..	1,958	13,898	366,086	337,156
1952 .. ..	1,926	13,714	347,831	315,796
1951 .. ..	1,890	13,251	326,258	293,429
1950 .. ..	1,870	12,909	309,673	275,562

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Enrolment at 1st August, 1956. (c) Average daily enrolment.

(d) Includes all schools not wholly under Government control.

(e) Estimated.

## UNIVERSITIES.

University or College and Year.	Teaching Staff.		Students Enrolled. (a)	Degrees Conferred.	Total Income. (b)	Total Expenditure. (b)
	Full-time.	Part-time.				
1957—					£	£
Australian National University .. ..	130	1	88	13	1,919,646	1,867,325
Sydney .. ..	491	369	8,303	1,111	3,350,101	3,317,128
Melbourne .. ..	456	137	7,916	1,018	2,998,398	3,185,494
Queensland .. ..	292	229	5,615	428	1,432,001	1,387,071
Adelaide .. ..	215	174	4,759	340	1,336,030	1,430,306
Western Australia .. ..	132	88	2,376	212	1,070,623	1,061,926
Tasmania .. ..	86	10	1,033	115	475,916	542,110
N.S.W. University of Technology(c) .. ..	463	287	5,246	201	2,449,558	2,434,615
New England (Armidale N.S.W.) .. ..	111	26	1,171	57	810,040	808,850
Canberra University College .. ..	49	23	396	(d)	205,156	213,436
Australia .. ..	2,425	1,344	36,903	3,495	16,047,469	16,248,261
1956 .. ..	2,260	1,442	34,480	3,572	13,870,677	14,039,869
1955 .. ..	2,019	1,461	30,868	3,432	13,385,516	12,242,474
1954 .. ..	1,936	1,475	29,445	3,499	11,002,483	9,759,476
1953 .. ..	1,851	1,341	28,838	3,926	8,866,271	8,598,315

(a) Adjustment made for students enrolled in more than one course. (b) Includes capital items.  
(c) Includes the Newcastle University College. (d) Included with Melbourne.

## POLICE AND PRISONS.

State or Territory and Year.	Police.	Prisons.	Prisoners.
1957—			
New South Wales .. ..	(a)5,043	17	3,050
Victoria .. ..	(a)3,709	(a)11	(a)1,572
Queensland .. ..	2,491	7	680
South Australia .. ..	1,210	16	569
Western Australia .. ..	970	19	488
Tasmania .. ..	507	1	162
Northern Territory .. ..	80	2	29
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	60	..	..
Australia .. ..	14,070	73	6,550
1956 .. ..	13,452	73	6,145
1955 .. ..	12,924	74	5,125
1954 .. ..	12,633	72	4,883
1953 .. ..	12,702	71	4,831

NOTE.—All figures relate to the 30th June, except those marked (a) which relate to 31st December.

## PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds. (a)	Staff.		In-patients Treated. (b)	Revenue. (c)	Expenditure. (e)
			Medical.	Nursing.			
1956-57—						£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	268	20,993	4,491	11,734	424,618	29,448	29,583
Victoria ..	132	12,274	2,023	8,312	234,720	21,904	22,270
Queensland ..	139	11,502	798	4,776	207,235	13,270	13,519
South Australia ..	65	3,825	590	2,126	73,249	7,725	8,077
Western Australia ..	94	4,232	404	2,553	80,829	6,567	6,753
Tasmania ..	28	2,357	217	1,198	32,497	2,190	2,705
Northern Territory ..	4	368	13	102	7,013	747	747
Aust. Cap. Territory	1	250	37	205	4,884	331	330
Australia ..	731	55,801	8,573	31,006	1,065,045	82,472	83,984
1955-56 ..	721	53,550	8,103	29,070	1,032,668	71,612	74,568
1954-55 ..	709	52,979	7,738	27,566	1,046,171	64,244	64,622
1953-54 ..	699	50,812	7,487	26,116	961,288	55,043	54,261
1952-53 ..	694	50,076	7,246	25,940	939,856	51,333	50,834

(a) Includes particulars, where available, of a considerable number of beds and cots for certain classes of cases in outdoor or verandah sleeping places. (b) Newborn are excluded. Out-patient cases treated at public hospitals during 1956-57 were as follows:—New South Wales, 1,073,044; Victoria, 526,085; Queensland, 579,495; South Australia, 109,320; Western Australia, 115,827 (estimated); Tasmania, 93,743; the Northern Territory, 76,799; and the Australian Capital Territory, 12,117; Australia, 2,584,430 (estimated). (c) Up to and including 1955-56, finance figures exclude loan receipts and expenditure for New South Wales.

## MENTAL HOSPITALS.

State and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds.	Staff.		Patients at end of Year.	Revenue. (a)	Expenditure.
			Medical.	Nursing.			
1956-57—						£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	14	12,627	(b) 57	2,105	13,741	413	5,672
Victoria(c) ..	13	7,517	77	2,070	8,713	31	6,787
Queensland(d) ..	5	4,694	14	1,118	4,657	92	2,141
South Australia ..	2	2,656	13	445	2,592	97	1,303
Western Australia(c)	4	1,655	8	328	1,845	(e) 50	(e) 969
Tasmania ..	1	810	4	181	753	8	586
Australia ..	39	29,959	173	6,247	32,301	690	17,458
1955-56 ..	39	30,089	161	6,030	32,453	567	15,342
1954-55 ..	37	29,690	144	5,748	31,223	654	13,189
1953-54 ..	34	29,244	140	5,541	30,798	889	11,681
1952-53 ..	34	29,069	159	5,276	30,474	867	10,714

(a) Excludes grants from State governments. (b) In addition there were 59 visiting paid specialists. (c) Year 1957. (d) Includes the Epileptic Home. (e) Year 1956-57.

# SECTION X.—EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND WAGES.

## WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—AUSTRALIA.(a)

('000.)

Month.	Total Civilian Employees. (Excluding Rural and Female Private Domestic.)			Total Civilian Employees in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers. (c)	Total. (e)	Mining and Quarry- ing.	Fac- tories. (c)	Build- ing and Con- struction.	Trans- port and Com- muni- cation.	Retail Trade. (d)	Other Com- merce and Fin- ance.	Pro- fessional and Per- sonal Ser- vices. (e)
MALES.										
1956—June	604.9	1,476.8	2,081.7	57.3	778.0	214.6	310.4	129.9	212.7	187.2
1957—June	609.5	1,475.5	2,085.0	56.3	780.2	207.3	313.0	129.4	214.0	188.0
1958—June	621.8	1,475.7	2,097.5	51.6	791.1	202.3	311.8	132.5	216.3	196.2
1957—July	609.6	1,473.3	2,082.9	56.1	781.1	206.7	312.0	129.6	212.6	193.1
Aug.	608.1	1,471.4	2,079.5	55.1	780.6	204.4	311.1	129.5	213.4	193.4
Sept.	607.9	1,475.0	2,082.9	54.5	783.0	203.4	310.5	130.0	215.4	193.8
Oct.	608.9	1,475.4	2,084.3	54.3	785.2	202.1	309.2	130.8	216.3	193.9
Nov.	608.0	1,475.8	2,083.8	53.9	785.8	199.4	307.3	134.0	216.6	194.0
Dec.	609.0	1,472.2	2,081.2	53.6	781.1	197.1	307.9	136.2	216.9	195.0
1958—July	621.7	1,472.5	2,094.2	51.5	790.3	201.1	311.5	132.3	215.2	196.1
Aug.	620.6	1,470.2	2,090.8	51.5	788.6	199.9	310.4	132.0	216.2	196.1
Sept.	620.7	1,471.5	2,092.2	50.9	789.4	199.2	310.1	132.6	217.4	196.6
Oct.	621.5	1,475.6	2,097.1	50.9	791.7	200.5	309.9	133.0	217.9	197.0
Nov.	622.8	1,482.2	2,105.0	50.6	793.8	200.7	310.5	135.6	219.8	197.6
Dec.	622.8	1,477.8	2,100.6	50.6	787.0	199.2	309.7	133.9	220.1	198.4
FEMALES.										
1956—June	129.8	643.3	773.1	1.2	242.5	5.1	40.1	122.9	88.1	236.5
1957—June	132.8	647.0	779.8	1.2	242.9	5.3	40.1	121.3	90.3	241.8
1958—June	136.6	655.5	792.1	1.1	244.0	5.5	39.9	125.4	92.3	246.2
1957—July	133.7	646.0	779.7	1.2	242.4	5.3	40.1	121.3	90.1	241.8
Aug.	133.6	647.4	781.0	1.2	243.5	5.3	40.0	121.0	90.1	242.3
Sept.	133.2	650.9	784.1	1.2	245.0	5.3	40.0	122.1	90.3	242.8
Oct.	133.0	654.2	787.2	1.2	246.3	5.3	39.9	123.9	90.3	243.0
Nov.	133.1	662.0	795.1	1.2	247.8	5.3	40.2	129.9	90.4	243.0
Dec.	132.1	659.3	791.4	1.1	243.7	5.3	39.6	131.2	90.5	242.8
1958—July	137.7	655.0	792.7	1.1	243.2	5.5	39.8	125.3	92.2	247.8
Aug.	137.5	655.1	792.6	1.1	243.2	5.5	39.9	124.7	92.2	247.3
Sept.	137.6	656.1	793.7	1.1	243.5	5.5	39.9	125.2	92.2	249.2
Oct.	137.6	657.4	795.0	1.1	243.3	5.5	39.8	126.2	92.2	248.9
Nov.	137.8	662.0	799.8	1.1	243.4	5.5	40.0	130.5	92.4	248.7
Dec.	137.1	664.0	801.1	1.1	241.7	5.5	40.1	133.3	92.3	249.0
PERSONS.										
1956—June	734.7	2,120.1	2,854.8	58.5	1,020.5	219.7	350.5	252.8	300.8	423.7
1957—June	742.3	2,122.5	2,864.8	57.5	1,023.1	212.6	353.1	250.7	304.3	434.8
1958—June	758.4	2,131.2	2,889.6	52.7	1,035.1	207.8	351.7	257.9	308.6	442.4
1957—July	743.3	2,119.3	2,862.6	57.3	1,023.5	212.0	352.1	250.9	302.7	434.9
Aug.	741.7	2,118.8	2,860.5	56.3	1,024.1	209.7	351.1	250.5	303.5	435.7
Sept.	741.1	2,125.9	2,867.0	55.7	1,028.0	208.7	350.5	252.1	305.7	436.6
Oct.	741.9	2,129.6	2,871.5	55.5	1,031.5	207.4	349.1	254.7	306.6	436.9
Nov.	741.1	2,137.8	2,878.9	55.1	1,033.6	204.7	347.5	263.9	307.0	437.0
Dec.	741.1	2,131.5	2,872.6	54.7	1,024.8	202.4	347.5	267.4	307.4	437.8
1958—July	759.4	2,127.5	2,886.9	52.6	1,033.5	206.6	351.3	257.6	307.4	443.4
Aug.	758.1	2,125.3	2,883.4	52.6	1,031.8	205.4	350.3	256.7	308.4	443.9
Sept.	758.3	2,127.6	2,885.9	52.0	1,032.9	204.7	350.0	257.8	309.6	444.8
Oct.	759.1	2,133.0	2,892.1	52.0	1,035.0	206.0	349.7	259.2	310.1	445.9
Nov.	760.6	2,144.2	2,904.8	51.7	1,037.2	206.2	350.5	266.1	312.2	446.3
Dec.	759.9	2,141.8	2,901.7	51.7	1,028.7	204.7	349.8	272.2	312.4	447.4

(a) Excludes members of the Defence Forces at home or abroad and National Service trainees in camp. Figures are subject to revision. (b) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post-offices, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia. (c) Revised from June, 1957. See note (a) to table on page 95 relating to employment in factories. (d) Pay-roll series. (e) Includes employees in education, health, hotels and restaurants and other professional and personal services (except female private domestic).

**WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—STATES.(a)**  
(’000.)

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
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MALES.									
1954—June ..	771.3	556.8	269.6	176.8	139.1	63.6	4.9	8.2	1,990.3
1955—June ..	794.2	576.2	278.2	180.8	141.5	65.1	4.8	8.7	2,049.5
1956—June ..	808.5	583.2	282.4	187.9	140.5	65.7	5.0	8.5	2,081.7
1957—June ..	810.5	586.0	282.6	186.4	138.4	66.0	5.8	9.3	2,085.0
1958—June ..	814.5	592.9	282.8	186.0	138.6	67.0	5.6	10.1	2,097.5
1957—July ..	810.5	585.5	282.1	185.8	137.9	66.0	5.8	9.3	2,082.9
Aug. ..	809.0	584.2	281.6	185.9	137.8	65.7	5.8	9.5	2,079.5
Sept. ..	810.9	585.8	280.5	186.0	138.3	65.9	5.8	9.7	2,082.9
Oct. ..	812.3	586.7	279.4	185.8	138.7	66.0	5.7	9.7	2,084.3
Nov. ..	812.3	587.7	277.5	185.8	139.1	66.0	5.6	9.8	2,083.8
Dec. ..	812.3	589.2	272.7	185.8	138.7	66.9	5.7	9.9	2,081.2
1958—July ..	813.1	591.6	283.3	185.8	138.1	66.7	5.5	10.1	2,094.2
Aug. ..	811.8	590.3	282.5	185.7	138.3	66.3	5.6	10.3	2,090.8
Sept. ..	811.1	591.3	282.8	186.1	138.8	66.1	5.7	10.3	2,092.2
Oct. ..	813.9	592.3	283.1	186.5	139.2	66.1	5.8	10.2	2,097.1
Nov. ..	817.4	595.1	284.2	186.8	139.1	66.2	5.9	10.3	2,105.0
Dec. ..	816.4	596.4	278.3	187.0	139.3	67.0	5.8	10.4	2,100.6

FEMALES.									
1954—June ..	234.3	222.1	88.6	56.6	43.4	21.2	0.9	2.6	719.7
1955—June ..	297.4	232.4	92.1	59.8	44.3	21.8	1.0	2.9	751.7
1956—June ..	305.9	238.5	93.7	62.5	45.1	23.2	1.1	3.1	773.1
1957—June ..	309.3	240.4	95.8	62.4	44.5	22.9	1.2	3.3	779.8
1958—June ..	314.5	244.5	95.9	63.4	45.6	23.5	1.3	3.4	792.1
1957—July ..	308.9	241.0	95.5	62.5	44.7	22.6	1.2	3.3	779.7
Aug. ..	309.9	240.8	95.8	62.6	45.0	22.4	1.2	3.3	751.0
Sept. ..	312.4	241.1	95.8	62.9	45.2	22.1	1.2	3.4	784.1
Oct. ..	314.6	242.1	95.7	62.9	45.2	22.1	1.3	3.3	787.2
Nov. ..	318.7	244.8	95.7	63.5	45.7	22.1	1.3	3.3	795.1
Dec. ..	317.0	242.5	95.2	63.3	46.0	22.8	1.3	3.3	791.4
1958—July ..	315.0	244.5	96.3	63.4	45.6	23.1	1.4	3.4	792.7
Aug. ..	314.7	244.3	97.2	63.3	45.9	22.5	1.3	3.4	792.6
Sept. ..	315.2	244.9	96.7	63.6	46.2	22.2	1.4	3.5	793.7
Oct. ..	315.7	245.6	96.6	63.8	46.2	22.2	1.4	3.5	795.0
Nov. ..	317.9	247.1	96.9	64.2	46.4	22.5	1.4	3.4	799.8
Dec. ..	319.4	246.6	96.3	64.2	46.8	23.1	1.4	3.3	801.1

PERSONS.									
1954—June ..	1,055.6	778.9	358.2	233.4	182.5	84.8	5.8	10.8	2,710.0
1955—June ..	1,091.6	808.6	370.3	240.6	185.8	86.9	5.8	11.6	2,801.2
1956—June ..	1,114.4	821.7	376.1	250.4	185.6	88.9	6.1	11.6	2,854.8
1957—June ..	1,119.8	826.4	378.4	248.8	182.9	88.9	7.0	12.6	2,864.8
1958—June ..	1,129.0	837.4	378.7	249.4	184.2	90.5	6.9	13.5	2,889.6
1957—July ..	1,119.4	826.5	377.6	248.3	182.6	88.6	7.0	12.6	2,862.6
Aug. ..	1,118.9	825.0	377.4	248.5	182.8	88.1	7.0	12.8	2,860.5
Sept. ..	1,123.3	826.9	376.3	248.9	183.5	88.0	7.0	13.1	2,867.0
Oct. ..	1,126.9	828.8	375.1	248.7	183.9	88.1	7.0	13.0	2,871.5
Nov. ..	1,131.0	832.5	373.2	249.3	184.8	88.1	6.9	13.1	2,878.9
Dec. ..	1,129.3	831.7	367.9	249.1	184.7	89.7	7.0	13.2	2,872.6
1958—July ..	1,128.1	836.1	379.6	249.2	183.7	89.8	6.9	13.5	2,886.9
Aug. ..	1,126.5	834.6	379.7	249.0	184.2	88.8	6.9	13.7	2,883.4
Sept. ..	1,126.3	836.2	379.5	249.7	185.0	88.3	7.1	13.8	2,885.9
Oct. ..	1,129.6	837.9	379.7	250.3	185.4	88.3	7.2	13.7	2,892.1
Nov. ..	1,135.3	842.2	381.1	251.0	185.5	88.7	7.3	13.7	2,904.8
Dec. ..	1,135.8	843.0	374.6	251.2	186.1	90.1	7.2	13.7	2,901.7

(a) Excludes employees in rural industry, female private domestics, members of Defence Forces at home or abroad and National Service trainees in camp. Revised from June, 1957. See note (a) to table on page 95 relating to employment in factories.

See also notes on previous page.

## WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.(a)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.				
							Males.	Females.	Persons.	Index: av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unadjusted.	Adjusted. (b)
1953-54(c)	386.3	317.3	93.0	82.7	44.9	23.4	721.6	226.0	947.6	1,802	1,392
1954-55(c)	403.0	332.6	95.4	86.6	46.8	24.4	751.4	237.4	988.8	1,881	1,422
1955-56(c)	417.0	341.3	97.2	89.9	47.5	26.0	775.4	243.5	1,018.9	1,938	1,429
1956-57(c)	420.1	341.0	98.1	89.2	46.1	26.5	776.6	244.4	1,021.0	1,942	1,399
1957-58(c)	429.2	344.8	96.9	89.5	45.8	26.9	786.8	246.3	1,033.1	1,965	1,385
1957-58—											
October	428.6	342.9	98.6	89.4	46.0	26.0	785.2	246.3	1,031.5	1,962	1,389
November	431.2	344.7	96.2	89.3	46.1	26.1	785.8	247.8	1,033.6	1,966	1,388
December	428.1	342.4	91.8	89.4	45.8	27.3	781.1	243.7	1,024.8	1,949	1,374
January	428.0	346.7	93.0	90.6	45.7	27.9	786.5	245.4	1,031.9	1,963	1,381
February	431.5	351.1	95.1	90.5	46.2	27.4	790.8	251.0	1,041.8	1,981	1,391
March	432.9	352.3	96.5	90.9	46.3	27.2	793.3	252.8	1,046.1	1,990	1,395
April	432.6	347.3	95.9	89.8	46.0	27.5	791.6	247.5	1,039.1	1,976	1,383
May	432.4	345.1	97.6	89.0	45.7	27.4	791.4	245.8	1,037.2	1,973	1,379
June	431.5	342.8	99.4	88.9	45.2	27.3	791.1	244.0	1,035.1	1,969	1,374
1958-59—											
July	431.4	341.6	100.1	88.8	44.7	26.9	790.3	243.2	1,033.5	1,966	1,369
August	431.1	341.0	100.3	88.6	44.6	26.2	788.6	243.2	1,031.8	1,963	1,365
September	431.3	342.3	100.1	88.8	44.6	25.8	789.4	243.5	1,032.9	1,965	1,364
October	431.6	343.4	100.3	89.2	44.7	25.8	791.7	243.3	1,035.0	1,969	1,365
November	432.3	344.7	100.2	89.1	44.9	26.0	793.8	243.4	1,037.2	1,973	1,364
December	429.9	343.8	94.1	89.0	44.8	27.1	787.0	241.7	1,028.7	1,956	1,350

(a) Factory employment figures for periods to June, 1958, represent actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories. From July, 1958, the figures are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. Figures for 1956-57 and subsequent periods revised. (b) Divided by Index of Total Population. (c) Monthly average.

## WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN RETAIL TRADE.(a)

('000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.(b)		
							Males.	Females.	Persons.
1953-54(c)	93.0	67.5	30.6	23.1	19.0	7.5	127.2	114.0	241.2
1954-55(c)	96.3	69.9	31.2	24.2	19.6	7.7	129.7	119.8	249.5
1955-56(c)	97.7	71.4	31.7	25.3	19.8	8.0	130.5	124.2	254.7
1956-57(c)	96.3	71.2	32.0	24.8	19.7	7.9	130.0	122.7	252.7
1957-58(c)	98.9	72.5	32.5	24.7	20.0	7.8	132.2	125.0	257.2
1957-58—									
October	98.3	71.5	32.5	24.4	19.6	7.6	130.8	123.9	254.7
November	103.0	73.8	33.4	25.2	20.1	7.8	134.0	129.9	263.9
December	104.2	75.5	33.1	25.1	20.6	8.1	136.2	131.2	267.4
January	99.5	72.9	32.5	24.9	20.3	7.8	133.1	125.5	258.6
February	99.3	72.7	32.3	24.7	20.1	7.8	133.2	124.6	257.8
March	98.6	72.6	32.1	24.7	20.1	7.7	132.4	124.2	256.6
April	98.4	72.8	32.2	24.7	20.1	7.7	132.3	124.4	256.7
May	99.5	73.2	32.5	24.6	20.4	7.7	133.0	125.8	258.8
June	98.7	73.3	32.4	24.5	20.3	7.7	132.5	125.4	257.9
1958-59—									
July	98.9	73.2	32.3	24.4	20.4	7.6	132.3	125.3	256.6
August	98.2	73.1	32.2	24.4	20.3	7.5	132.0	124.7	256.7
September	98.4	73.6	32.3	24.6	20.6	7.5	132.6	125.2	257.8
October	99.1	74.0	32.3	24.8	20.6	7.5	133.0	126.2	259.2
November	102.6	75.6	33.0	25.4	21.1	7.6	135.6	130.5	266.1
December	106.2	76.5	33.4	25.8	21.7	7.9	138.9	133.3	272.2

(a) Estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. Subject to revision. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Monthly average.

## UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.(a)

(For particulars of benefits paid, see page 88.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1950-51 ..	293	90	320	6	60	15	..	..	784
1951-52 ..	795	162	1,348	17	57	12	..	..	2,391
1952-53 ..	17,270	6,114	4,185	841	844	256	..	..	29,510
1953-54 ..	6,859	2,856	3,177	270	427	223	..	..	13,812
1954-55 ..	1,523	576	1,459	66	157	86	..	4	3,871
1955-56 ..	1,344	447	1,544	77	473	58	..	5	3,948
1956-57 ..	4,076	3,267	2,348	681	1,940	125	..	15	12,452
1957-58 ..	8,584	5,107	5,746	1,534	2,330	505	9	32	23,847
Quarter ended—									
December, 1956	3,466	3,171	1,062	768	1,783	95	..	16	10,361
March, 1957	4,331	3,074	4,085	598	1,984	88	..	17	14,177
June, "	5,450	4,057	3,333	759	1,895	222	..	11	15,727
September, "	7,496	5,640	2,448	1,297	2,580	615	..	17	20,093
December, "	7,170	4,675	4,334	1,366	2,016	629	1	28	20,219
March, 1958	9,449	4,490	9,442	1,490	2,305	365	15	46	27,602
June, "	10,221	5,625	6,760	1,932	2,422	410	19	37	27,476
September, "	11,567	7,330	3,634	2,243	3,234	813	5	42	28,868
December, "	10,488	5,504	3,372	1,656	2,574	703	3	40	24,340

## UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

## SICKNESS BENEFIT

1950-51 ..	2,883	1,835	958	657	475	317	..	..	7,125
1951-52 ..	2,593	1,584	935	695	461	218	..	..	6,486
1952-53 ..	2,991	1,706	1,027	670	433	227	..	..	7,054
1953-54 ..	3,340	1,975	1,241	693	479	239	..	..	7,967
1954-55 ..	3,337	1,994	1,284	645	459	231	5	12	7,967
1955-56 ..	3,110	1,695	1,189	637	428	229	4	11	7,303
1956-57 ..	2,973	1,610	1,130	594	458	225	3	13	7,006
1957-58 ..	3,026	1,594	1,277	604	508	230	5	18	7,262
Quarter ended—									
December, 1956	2,976	1,653	1,158	600	456	226	3	8	7,080
March, 1957	2,855	1,538	1,143	545	457	206	4	11	6,759
June, "	2,889	1,514	1,069	593	448	226	2	18	6,759
September, "	2,940	1,563	1,154	617	494	237	6	18	7,034
December, "	3,042	1,602	1,280	593	480	226	7	18	7,248
March, 1958	2,947	1,543	1,328	577	504	226	5	19	7,149
June, "	3,175	1,666	1,345	628	552	230	4	18	7,618
September, "	3,485	1,957	1,386	675	596	274	4	22	8,399
December, "	3,585	1,932	1,412	659	597	256	7	24	8,472

(a) In addition, the average number of persons (excluding migrants in reception and training centres) receiving special benefits at end of each week were:—1950-51, 863; 1951-52, 987; 1952-53, 1,372; 1953-54, 1,859; 1954-55, 1,966; 1955-56, 1,984; 1956-57, 2,015; 1957-58, 2,106. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory to June, 1954. (c) Includes the Northern Territory to June, 1954.

## INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.(a)

Period.	Dis- putes.	Workers Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti- mated Loss in Wages. £
		Di- rectly.	Indi- rectly. (b)	Total.	New Dis- putes.	Old Dis- putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.								
Year—1958 ..	624	137,922	3,906	141,828	231,537	..	231,537	832,644
1957—Dec. Qtr.	171	52,758	1,847	54,605	122,683	1,612	124,295	463,333
1958—Mar. "	174	49,602	916	50,518	79,522	..	79,522	286,738
June "	162	39,778	1,741	41,519	61,080	1,176	62,256	222,071
Sept. "	184	34,305	1,117	35,422	55,851	2,836	58,687	206,445
Dec. "	104	14,237	132	14,369	30,906	166	31,072	117,390
VICTORIA.								
Year—1958 ..	66	45,594	1,124	46,718	99,855	..	99,855	340,346
1957—Dec. Qtr.	15	893	199	1,092	4,604	..	4,604	15,775
1958—Mar. "	21	20,129	179	20,308	51,136	..	51,136	174,538
June "	19	22,344	75	22,419	21,031	1,750	22,781	81,202
Sept. "	13	1,139	71	1,210	13,934	2,932	16,866	54,380
Dec. "	13	1,982	799	2,781	8,504	568	9,072	30,226
QUEENSLAND.								
Year—1958 ..	203	60,208	2,024	62,232	87,866	..	87,866	343,662
1957—Dec. Qtr.	41	10,595	5	10,600	29,734	4,991	34,725	127,517
1958—Mar. "	44	10,518	35	10,553	15,572	..	15,572	61,599
June "	43	17,367	17	17,384	14,818	718	15,536	58,530
Sept. "	71	24,036	2	24,038	33,576	992	34,568	132,325
Dec. "	45	8,287	1,970	10,257	20,746	1,444	22,190	91,208
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1958 ..	22	8,129	62	8,191	9,338	..	9,338	34,540
1957—Dec. Qtr.	3	2,014	..	2,014	2,063	..	2,063	7,222
1958—Mar. "	11	4,290	..	4,290	5,294	..	5,294	18,320
June "	2	2,056	..	2,056	929	..	929	3,327
Sept. "	4	345	52	397	327	..	327	1,324
Dec. "	5	1,438	10	1,448	2,176	612	2,788	11,569
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1958 ..	20	10,847	160	11,007	2,970	..	2,970	10,382
1957—Dec. Qtr.	1	52	..	52	10	..	10	35
1958—Mar. "	5	4,166	..	4,166	428	..	428	1,499
June "	6	2,319	..	2,319	1,016	..	1,016	3,485
Sept. "	2	1,735	..	1,735	123	..	123	431
Dec. "	7	2,627	160	2,787	1,403	..	1,403	4,967
TASMANIA.								
Year—1958 ..	24	9,268	..	9,268	4,508	..	4,508	15,066
1957—Dec. Qtr.	10	1,772	..	1,772	1,106	..	1,106	3,865
1958—Mar. "	4	1,882	..	1,882	733	..	733	2,565
June "	7	5,433	..	5,433	2,207	..	2,207	7,566
Sept. "	5	521	..	521	936	..	936	2,707
Dec. "	8	1,432	..	1,432	632	..	632	2,228
AUSTRALIA.(c)								
Year—1958 ..	987	275,573	7,276	282,849	439,890	..	439,890	1,590,603
1957—Dec. Qtr.	244	68,898	2,051	70,949	160,648	6,603	167,251	619,525
1958—Mar. "	269	92,252	1,130	93,382	153,912	..	153,912	549,502
June "	240	89,377	1,833	91,210	101,121	3,644	104,765	376,301
Sept. "	290	63,505	1,242	64,747	107,038	6,760	113,798	406,243
Dec. "	188	30,439	3,071	33,510	64,625	2,790	67,415	258,557

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more. (b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. (c) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

## INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.(a)

Period	Manu- facturing. (Groups I. to VI.)	Building. (Group VII.)	Mining. (Group VIII.)		Transport, Land, Sea and Air. (Groups IX. to XI.)	Miscel- laneous. (Groups XII. to XIV.)	All Groups
			(I) Coal- mining.	(II) Other Mining.			
NUMBER.							
1954 .. ..	192	47	942	4	290	15	1 490
1955 .. ..	277	72	777	8	377	21	1 532
1956 .. ..	164	81	835	5	361	30	1 306
1957 .. ..	165	50	518	7	337	26	1 103
1958 .. ..	170	55	416	8	310	28	987
1957— Dec. Qtr. ..	43	9	110	..	79	3	244
1958— March .. ..	49	21	98	2	89	10	269
June .. ..	29	15	113	2	76	5	240
Sept. .. ..	42	15	137	3	86	7	290
Dec. .. ..	50	4	68	1	59	6	183

## WORKERS INVOLVED.

1954 .. ..	57,010	6,925	155,630	494	145,521	4,494	370,074
1955 .. ..	87,295	22,297	135,543	1,105	191,595	6,812	444,647
1956 .. ..	45,459	21,225	126,631	7,889	213,386	13,393	427,983
1957 .. ..	40,684	32,562	110,446	3,741	145,498	4,112	337,043
1958 .. ..	40,832	8,788	81,015	2,476	145,275	4,463	282,849
1957— Dec. Qtr. ..	11,151	967	17,449	..	40,573	809	70,949
1958— March .. ..	8,445	3,541	29,154	261	49,865	2,116	93,382
June .. ..	6,793	803	15,498	1,396	65,807	913	91,210
Sept. .. ..	13,329	4,035	26,233	580	19,588	982	64,747
Dec. .. ..	12,265	409	10,130	239	10,015	452	33,510

## WORKING DAYS LOST.

1954 .. ..	244,770	31,751	255,726	7,720	352,311	9,361	901,639
1955 .. ..	493,075	69,443	225,336	9,106	188,532	25,392	1,010,884
1956 .. ..	284,717	68,073	198,354	12,633	521,662	35,944	1,121,383
1957 .. ..	205,381	45,907	206,977	5,209	162,643	4,096	630,213
1958 .. ..	116,826	34,343	150,793	3,131	127,610	7,187	439,890
1957— Dec. Qtr. ..	36,098	1,566	47,265	215	81,639	468	167,251
1958— March .. ..	26,569	16,453	52,065	751	56,018	2,056	153,912
June .. ..	16,339	5,099	38,408	496	42,613	1,810	104,765
Sept. .. ..	38,970	10,644	43,933	1,001	17,038	2,212	113,798
Dec. .. ..	34,943	2,147	16,387	883	11,941	1,109	67,415

ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES.  
(£.)

1954 .. ..	767,051	115,972	862,384	41,265	1,207,932	26,607	3,021,211
1955 .. ..	1,533,880	234,596	789,322	31,661	611,604	79,258	3,310,321
1956 .. ..	1,033,759	259,582	683,710	69,840	1,809,656	110,514	3,967,061
1957 .. ..	740,512	162,153	761,109	30,356	599,889	14,603	2,308,622
1958 .. ..	425,919	120,816	554,488	13,160	451,718	24,502	1,590,603
1957— Dec. Qtr. ..	144,279	5,154	181,277	1,000	285,975	1,840	619,525
1958— March .. ..	101,239	49,859	193,406	2,600	196,224	6,174	549,502
June .. ..	58,518	23,044	138,793	2,100	147,843	6,003	376,301
Sept. .. ..	136,252	37,178	161,125	4,050	59,314	8,324	406,243
Dec. .. ..	129,910	10,735	61,164	4,410	48,337	4,001	258,557

(a) See notes on page 97.

## TRADE UNIONS AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1954	228	158	129	138	154	98	18	29	371
1955	235	160	130	138	154	101	20	32	372
1956	237	162	135	140	157	101	23	33	375
1957	235	162	133	137	156	98	21	33	373
1958	231	161	131	136	156	98	20	30	370
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.									
1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470
1954	732,737	433,891	305,304	147,555	109,589	50,290	2,168	5,970	1,787,504
1955	731,960	446,372	305,509	146,422	111,959	51,401	2,440	5,799	1,801,862
1956	736,152	441,286	314,782	147,728	110,447	52,708	2,352	5,953	1,811,408
1957	737,358	443,040	310,821	144,914	114,095	51,951	2,408	5,567	1,810,154
1958	731,375	444,150	313,744	147,029	114,494	51,508	2,433	6,485	1,811,218

(a) Without interstate duplication. The State figures do not add to the Australian total because a union represented in more than one State is included in the figure for each State in which it is represented, but is counted only once in the Australian total.

## AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS.

(REVISED SERIES.)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns (which cover approximately 73 per cent. of the estimated number of civilian wage and salary earners in employment) and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. An index of average weekly wage earnings, seasonally adjusted, is published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

Period.		New South Wales. (a)	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia. (b)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000.).								
1953-54	..	16,480	11,767	5,227	3,615	2,754	1,305	41,148
1954-55	..	17,970	12,901	5,601	3,940	2,928	1,399	44,739
1955-56	..	19,764	14,144	6,033	4,330	3,104	1,521	48,896
1956-57	..	20,943	14,925	6,457	4,507	3,177	1,635	51,644
1957-58	..	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1957-58—								
December	Qtr.	22,741	16,253	6,894	4,772	3,353	1,674	55,687
March	..	20,630	14,789	6,091	4,480	3,116	1,653	50,759
June	..	21,995	15,831	6,764	4,668	3,350	1,778	54,386
1958-59—								
September	..	22,182	15,908	7,016	4,757	3,407	1,654	54,924
December	..	23,645	17,044	7,424	4,961	3,505	1,799	58,378
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£.).(c)								
1953-54	..	16.69	16.64	14.98	15.87	15.59	15.78	16.26
1954-55	..	17.64	17.59	15.58	16.83	16.11	16.54	17.13
1955-56	..	18.92	18.78	16.49	17.88	16.92	17.75	18.23
1956-57	..	19.89	19.70	17.50	18.25	17.48	18.79	19.16
1957-58	..	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.67
1957-58—								
December	Qtr.	21.44	21.27	18.96	19.25	18.46	19.22	20.59
March	..	19.43	19.14	16.76	18.01	17.10	18.58	18.68
June	..	20.70	20.49	18.22	18.79	18.30	19.76	19.93
1958-59—								
September	..	20.92	20.68	18.68	19.17	18.67	18.74	20.16
December	..	22.19	22.01	19.88	19.89	19.12	20.37	21.35

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory. (c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and, because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE.—As quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences, comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years.

Figures for 1956-57 and subsequent periods revised. For revised figures from September Quarter, 1956, see *Monthly Bulletin of Employment Statistics*, No. 203, March, 1959.

**WAGES—ADULT MALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st DECEMBER, 1958.(a)**

(Weekly rates expressed in shillings and pence; hourly rates in pence.)

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
I. Wood, Furniture, etc...	Weekly Wage	331/2	315/1	312/9	310/2	324/11	320/8	321/3
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	93.34	94.52	93.83	93.06	97.48	96.21	96.33
II. Engineering, Works, etc.	Metal {							
	Weekly Wage	316/10	307/2	333/9	304/3	325/8	322/5	314/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	95.05	92.15	100.12	91.29	97.70	96.74	94.39
III. Food, Drink, etc.	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	321/11	322/11	303/5	319/11	317/1	328/7	318/5
	Working Hours	40.00	39.33	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	96.58	97.04	91.02	95.97	95.13	98.58	95.57
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	310/7	313/3	321/0	321/0	325/11	308/7	313/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	93.17	93.97	96.30	96.30	97.77	92.58	94.15
V. Books, Printing, etc.	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	363/9	353/6	359/10	343/9	393/6	360/10	359/6
	Working Hours	40.00	39.51	40.00	40.00	37.69	40.00	39.72
	Hourly Wage	109.12	107.36	107.95	103.12	125.28	108.25	108.62
VI. Other Manufacturing	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	322/10	310/1	303/2	311/5	316/1	323/8	315/3
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	96.86	93.03	90.94	93.42	94.83	97.11	94.59
VII. Building	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	360/9	356/8	340/8	329/7	346/6	339/5	352/3
	Working Hours	39.94	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	108.17	106.99	102.19	98.87	103.95	101.82	105.73
VIII. Mining(c)	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	329/8	319/4	317/5	303/1	339/9	316/5	325/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	38.15	40.00	39.69
	Hourly Wage	98.89	95.81	95.23	90.93	106.88	94.93	98.52
IX. Rail and Tram Services	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	336/3	322/5	324/5	309/6	323/9	345/9	327/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	100.87	96.73	97.32	92.84	97.13	103.74	98.18
X. Other Transport	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	319/11	298/3	297/0	298/4	314/9	308/6	307/7
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	95.97	89.48	89.09	88.00	94.42	92.55	92.28
XI. Shipping, etc.(d)(e)	..	339/3	341/7	338/8	339/4	340/1	341/0	339/10
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.(e)	..	334/8	345/6	340/9	342/3	352/3	364/5	360/2
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	306/5	298/10	281/9	280/11	294/3	292/1	297/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	91.92	89.64	84.52	84.27	88.27	87.62	89.30
XIV. Miscellaneous	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	317/0	307/8	297/0	292/3	306/8	306/8	308/5
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	95.09	92.81	89.10	87.97	91.99	92.01	92.52
All Groups(b)	..	337/8	322/0	318/3	315/0	328/8	331/9	327/10
All Groups except XI. and XII.(b)	.. {							
	Weekly Wage	325/7	316/4	310/9	305/4	323/3	317/8	318/9
	Working Hours	39.99	39.98	40.00	40.00	39.51	40.00	39.95
	Hourly Wage	97.71	94.96	93.21	91.59	98.17	95.30	95.76

(a) The figures of nominal wages and hours of labour are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

(b) Weighted average. (c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied. (e) Definite particulars for the computation of average working hours and hourly rates of wages are not available.

**WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st DECEMBER, 1958. (a)**

(Weekly rates expressed in shillings and pence; hourly rates in pence.)

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
III. Food, Drink, etc.	Weekly Wage	217/2	215/6	201/6	218/8	189/4	218/2	214/9
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	65.15	64.64	60.45	65.61	56.80	65.44	64.42
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	Weekly Wage	216/0	217/0	221/5	222/0	222/10	220/0	217/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	64.79	65.10	66.42	66.61	66.86	66.00	65.36
I., II., V., and VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	230/1	219/7	210/2	227/3	..	219/0	223/4
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	69.03	65.87	63.05	68.18	..	65.70	66.99
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc...	Weekly Wage	214/3	221/6	197/4	215/10	203/10	214/3	212/7
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	64.28	66.44	59.20	64.74	61.15	64.27	63.77
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, etc.	Weekly Wage	242/10	255/11	229/5	224/3	..	..	243/11
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	40.00
	Hourly Wage	72.85	76.78	68.82	67.22	..	..	73.16
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	223/3	225/0	215/10	221/8	212/11	218/3	222/5
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	66.97	67.51	64.75	66.51	63.88	65.48	66.73

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average.

**WAGES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK, AND WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS.(a)**

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'd.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
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**ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
31st December, 1914 ..	56	2	54	7	53	5	54	5	62	10	52	8	55	7
" " 1939 ..	96	7	93	6	97	5	88	11	100	6	89	5	95	3
" " 1954 ..	298	4	284	3	278	7	282	2	293	3	299	2	290	0
" " 1955 ..	310	1	296	7	284	11	284	9	304	9	302	7	300	0
" " 1956(c) ..	331	8	312	10	301	3	297	11	318	1	319	9	317	9
" " 1957 ..	333	7	318	10	304	0	309	2	326	6	326	11	322	6
" " 1958 ..	337	8	322	0	318	3	315	0	328	8	331	9	327	10

**ADULT MALES—INDEX NUMBERS.—(BASE: 51s. 3d. (b) IN 1911 = 1,000.)**

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914 ..	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1939 ..	1,885	1,825	1,900	1,785	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1954 ..	5,820	5,647	5,435	5,506	5,722	5,837	5,658
" " 1955 ..	6,051	5,787	5,559	5,555	5,946	5,905	5,853
" " 1956(c) ..	6,471	6,104	5,878	5,812	6,206	6,239	6,201
" " 1957 ..	6,508	6,221	5,931	6,032	6,370	6,378	6,292
" " 1958 ..	6,588	6,282	6,210	6,147	6,413	6,473	6,396

**ADULT FEMALES: RATES OF WAGE.**

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
31st December, 1914 ..	26	10	27	9	27	1	24	1	37	4	25	10	27	5
" " 1939 ..	53	3	51	9	55	2	49	7	55	8	50	8	52	8
" " 1954 ..	198	9	200	2	190	0	199	5	190	5	196	7	197	11
" " 1955 ..	205	3	206	9	192	10	199	11	193	7	197	11	203	4
" " 1956 ..	216	10	216	2	201	3	207	5	201	8	207	10	213	2
" " 1957 ..	220	1	222	2	207	11	217	11	210	11	215	4	218	10
" " 1958 ..	223	3	225	0	215	10	221	8	212	11	218	3	222	5

**ADULT FEMALES—INDEX NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (b) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)**

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
31st December, 1914 ..	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
" " 1939 ..	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,933
" " 1954 ..	7,314	7,367	6,994	7,339	7,007	7,236	7,285
" " 1955 ..	7,554	7,608	7,098	7,358	7,125	7,284	7,483
" " 1956 ..	7,981	7,955	7,406	7,635	7,423	7,640	7,846
" " 1957 ..	8,101	8,176	7,652	8,021	7,764	7,926	8,054
" " 1958 ..	8,216	8,282	7,944	8,160	7,837	8,033	8,187

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Partly estimated.

# **BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES FOR ADULT MALES UNDER AWARDS OF COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION COMMISSION.(a)**

Date Operative.		Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
September, 1939	.. ..	81 0	81 0	76 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	79 0
December, 1946	.. ..	108 0	106 0	101 0	102 0	102 0	103 0	105 0
November, 1947	.. ..	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
" 1948	.. ..	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
" 1949	.. ..	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	129 0	128 0	129 0
" 1950	.. ..	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	139 0	139 0	142 0
December, 1950	.. ..	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	160 0	160 0	162 0
November, 1951	.. ..	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0
May, 1952	.. ..	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August, 1952	.. ..	235 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November, 1952	.. ..	237 0	224 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
February, 1953	.. ..	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May, 1953	.. ..	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	239 0	234 0
August, 1953(b)	.. ..	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0
June, 1956(c)	.. ..	253 0	245 0	228 0	241 0	246 0	252 0	246 0
May, 1957(d)	.. ..	263 0	255 0	238 0	251 0	256 0	262 0	256 0
May, 1958(e)	.. ..	268 0	260 0	243 0	256 0	261 0	267 0	261 0

(a) Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration prior to 30th June, 1956. Rates operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing in months shown. (b) By decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on 12th September, 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards. (c) On 25th May, 1956, following the Basic Wage Inquiry, 1956, the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration announced its decision to increase the basic wage for an adult male by 10s. a week payable from the first pay-period in June, 1956. (d) Following the 1957 Basic Wage Inquiry the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, on 29th April, 1957, announced an increase of 10s. a week for adult males payable from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 15th May. (e) As a result of the 1958 Basic Wage Inquiry the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission increased the adult male basic wage by 5s. as from the first pay-period commencing on or after 21st May, 1958.

NOTE.—Since December, 1950, the female basic wage has been 75 per cent. of the corresponding male rate; previously it had ranged between 54 per cent. and 75 per cent.

## **STATE BASIC WAGES—WEEKLY RATES.**

State.	November, 1958.			February, 1959.		
	Date of Operation.	Males.	Females.	Date of Operation.	Males.	Females.
	(a).	s. d.	s. d.	(a).	s. d.	s. d.
New South Wales(b)—						
Metropolitan and Country, excluding Broken Hill ..	Nov. 1958	273 0	204 6	Feb. 1959	275 0	206 0
Broken Hill .. ..	Aug. 1958	271 0	203 0	Feb. 1959	274 0	205 6
Victoria(c) .. ..	Aug. 1956	263 0	197 0	Aug. 1956	263 0	197 0
Queensland(d)—						
Southern Division (Eastern District), including Brisbane .. ..	27.10.58	256 0	173 6	2.2.59	260 0	176 6
Southern Division (Western District) .. ..	27.10.58	263 4	177 2	2.2.59	270 6	181 9
Mackay Division .. ..	27.10.58	261 6	176 3	2.2.59	269 0	181 0
Northern Division (Eastern District) .. ..	27.10.58	266 0	178 6	2.2.59	270 6	181 9
Northern Division (Western District) .. ..	27.10.58	273 4	182 2	2.2.59	292 6	192 9
South Australia(e) .. ..	26.5.58	256 0	192 0	26.5.58	256 0	192 0
Western Australia(f)—						
Metropolitan Area .. ..	27.10.58	273 5	177 9	27.10.58	273 5	177 9
South-West Land Division .. ..	4.8.58	273 4	177 8	4.8.58	273 4	177 8
Goldfield and other areas .. ..	27.10.58	271 6	176 6	27.10.58	271 6	176 6
Tasmania(g) .. ..	Aug. 1956	272 0	204 0	Aug. 1956	272 0	204 0

(a) Where dates are not quoted wage rates operate from beginning of first pay-period in month shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustment operative in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers. (c) Rates shown (Melbourne) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. By amendment to the Labour and Industry Act automatic quarterly adjustment to the basic wage was discontinued after the August, 1956, adjustment. (d) The Queensland Industrial Court each quarter announces the variation, if any, in the basic wage, after considering movements in the "C" Series retail price index numbers. (e) Automatic quarterly adjustments not operative. The "living wage" declared for the metropolitan area (at present equal to the Commonwealth basic wage for Adelaide) is also adopted in country areas, except at Whyalla where a loading of 5s. is generally payable. (f) The Western Australian Court of Arbitration each quarter announces any variations in the basic wage after considering a statement, prepared by the Government Statistician, which shows the movement in the "C" Series retail price index number. (g) Rates quoted (Hobart) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. Automatic quarterly adjustments were suspended by the majority of Wages Boards following the adjustment payable in August, 1956.

## SECTION XI.—PRICES.

## THE INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

For a description of the structure and scope of the Interim Index and a comparison with that of the "C" Series, see *Labour Report* No. 45, 1957, pages 7-15.

## INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

(Base of each Index : Year 1952-53=100.)

NOTE.—The index numbers hereunder are designed to measure aggregate variations in retail prices of specified groups of items for specified cities individually. They measure variations from time to time and not differences in price level as between cities nor comparative costs of groups of items.

City.	Year ended June, 1953.	Year ended June, 1955.	Year ended June, 1956.	Year ended June, 1957.	Year ended June, 1958.	1957.	1958				
						Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	
GROUP I.—FOOD (EXCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).											
Sydney ..	100.0	104.0	106.7	111.4	113.6	111.9	115.4	114.6	113.3	113.8	
Melbourne ..	100.0	104.7	109.9	114.2	114.9	114.3	114.8	115.1	115.3	115.2	
Brisbane ..	100.0	103.4	104.7	108.4	113.3	112.5	115.0	115.8	116.0	117.6	
Adelaide ..	100.0	106.3	108.7	111.1	112.2	110.7	110.9	114.2	116.0	116.9	
Perth ..	100.0	109.4	111.0	115.8	115.0	113.5	114.2	115.6	116.0	114.7	
Hobart ..	100.0	106.7	111.3	115.3	114.7	114.8	114.8	114.8	115.8	117.0	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	104.8	108.1	112.4	114.0	112.8	114.6	114.9	114.7	115.1	

GROUP I.—FOOD (INCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).											
Sydney ..	100.0	103.6	109.0	114.4	112.9	110.9	114.7	113.7	112.4	113.4	
Melbourne ..	100.0	104.3	112.9	118.6	115.1	114.6	114.9	114.9	114.9	115.7	
Brisbane ..	100.0	104.2	108.1	112.1	113.4	112.1	115.4	115.6	116.3	118.1	
Adelaide ..	100.0	106.2	111.1	114.9	111.9	110.4	110.8	113.4	115.3	117.2	
Perth ..	100.0	109.5	111.3	116.8	115.4	114.0	114.4	115.7	116.2	114.9	
Hobart ..	100.0	106.8	113.6	118.3	114.4	114.2	115.1	114.2	114.8	116.6	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	104.6	110.6	115.8	113.7	112.4	114.4	114.4	114.2	115.1	

GROUP II.—CLOTHING AND DRAPERY.											
Sydney ..	100.0	102.3	103.0	105.9	108.8	108.7	108.8	109.7	109.8	110.0	
Melbourne ..	100.0	102.2	103.9	106.4	110.5	110.3	110.5	111.6	111.6	111.6	
Brisbane ..	100.0	102.9	103.3	105.8	109.2	109.1	109.4	110.2	110.3	110.9	
Adelaide ..	100.0	102.9	102.9	103.9	107.1	107.1	107.2	108.1	108.2	108.0	
Perth ..	100.0	101.6	103.0	105.4	108.5	108.3	108.5	109.6	109.7	110.5	
Hobart ..	100.0	103.1	104.6	107.8	110.6	110.4	110.6	111.6	111.8	112.4	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	102.4	103.3	105.8	109.2	109.1	109.3	110.2	110.3	110.5	

GROUP III.—RENT(b) (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES).											
Sydney ..	100.0	109.5	111.3	113.5	118.8	117.9	119.5	120.8	123.0	124.2	
Melbourne ..	100.0	102.3	111.9	123.3	127.1	126.6	127.3	128.8	130.5	132.7	
Brisbane ..	100.0	105.2	107.0	111.0	120.8	115.5	115.9	136.7	139.0	141.7	
Adelaide ..	100.0	105.6	114.9	124.8	134.6	132.6	133.9	140.6	143.0	144.8	
Perth ..	100.0	149.6	159.1	169.2	176.2	174.7	176.0	180.5	182.0	183.5	
Hobart ..	100.0	109.4	126.1	151.9	160.4	158.9	161.2	164.7	166.3	168.7	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	109.6	115.5	122.5	128.4	127.0	128.2	132.2	134.2	136.0	

GROUP IV.—OTHER ITEMS.(c)											
Sydney ..	100.0	100.9	103.6	121.5	124.8	124.8	124.8	124.8	125.3	125.5	
Melbourne ..	100.0	101.3	109.6	116.4	117.7	117.7	117.7	118.0	119.7	127.7	
Brisbane ..	100.0	104.5	110.1	117.9	120.0	119.6	120.1	121.0	121.8	125.4	
Adelaide ..	100.0	99.9	103.7	107.9	111.2	111.1	111.4	111.6	112.6	112.6	
Perth ..	100.0	101.9	106.4	113.7	115.8	115.7	115.8	115.9	116.4	116.6	
Hobart ..	100.0	105.1	110.3	120.1	121.4	121.0	121.1	122.3	123.0	125.2	
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	101.4	106.4	117.8	120.2	120.1	120.2	120.4	121.4	124.5	

NOTE.—For footnotes see page 104.

Interim Retail Price Index Numbers—*continued*.

(Base of each Index : Year 1952-53 = 100.)

City.	Year ended June, 1953.	Year ended June, 1955.	Year ended June, 1956.	Year ended June, 1957.	Year ended June, 1958.	1957.	1958.			
						Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
ALL GROUPS (EXCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).										
Sydney ..	100.0	103.2	105.3	113.0	116.0	115.2	116.7	116.8	116.6	117.1
Melbourne ..	100.0	102.9	108.4	113.5	115.5	115.2	115.5	116.1	116.8	117.2
Brisbane ..	100.0	103.7	105.9	110.3	114.5	113.6	114.8	117.3	117.9	119.8
Adelaide ..	100.0	103.6	106.3	109.5	112.6	111.8	112.1	114.2	115.4	115.9
Perth ..	100.0	109.5	112.6	117.9	119.7	118.9	119.4	120.7	121.2	121.0
Hobart ..	100.0	105.6	110.6	118.0	119.7	119.4	119.7	120.6	121.3	122.8
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	103.7	107.0	113.0	115.7	115.1	115.9	116.7	117.1	118.3

## ALL GROUPS (INCLUDING POTATOES AND ONIONS).

Sydney ..	100.0	103.1	106.1	114.1	115.7	114.8	116.4	116.4	116.2	116.9
Melbourne ..	100.0	102.7	109.5	115.1	115.6	115.3	115.5	116.0	116.7	119.4
Brisbane ..	100.0	104.0	107.1	111.7	114.5	113.4	114.9	117.3	118.0	120.6
Adelaide ..	100.0	103.6	107.2	110.9	112.5	111.7	112.1	114.0	115.2	116.0
Perth ..	100.0	109.6	112.7	118.3	119.8	119.1	119.4	120.7	121.2	121.1
Hobart ..	100.0	105.6	111.5	119.1	119.5	119.1	119.7	120.3	120.9	122.5
Six Capitals(a)	100.0	103.6	108.0	114.3	115.6	114.9	115.8	116.5	116.9	118.3

(a) Weighted average. (b) *Rent*.—The rent index numbers shown in the table above and elsewhere in this publication measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account. (c) A group of items under the following headings—Electricity, Gas and Firewood; Household Sundries; Services; Cinema Admission, Radio Licence and Newspapers; Fares; and Tobacco and Cigarettes.

## THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

NOTE.—The retail price index numbers on this and the next four pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capital Cities are made equal to 1,000.

## "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—CAPITAL CITIES.

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of rent, food and groceries, etc. since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

City.	1938.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1957.		1958.			
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.
GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES. (Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.)(a)												
Sydney .. ..	..	..	..	2,998	3,054	3,121	3,063	3,043	3,161	3,129	3,088	3,105
Melbourne ..	..	..	..	2,974	3,019	3,018	3,039	2,990	3,002	3,010	3,019	3,039
Brisbane .. .	..	..	..	2,598	2,699	2,886	2,684	2,780	2,851	2,867	2,888	2,939
Adelaide .. .	..	..	..	2,709	2,717	2,790	2,755	2,665	2,646	2,763	2,853	2,899
Perth .. .. .	..	..	..	2,997	3,034	2,980	3,061	2,943	2,952	2,995	3,008	2,963
Hobart .. .. .	..	..	..	3,025	3,035	3,046	3,013	3,016	3,019	3,016	3,054	3,093
Six Capitals(b)	..	..	..	2,923	2,973	3,021	2,987	2,955	3,012	3,018	3,017	3,037

GROUP I.—FOOD AND GROCERIES. (Including Potatoes and Onions.)												
Sydney ..	904	2,721	2,871	3,160	3,045	3,084	3,047	2,997	3,125	3,087	3,044	3,081
Melbourne ..	884	2,687	2,854	3,180	3,039	3,009	3,042	2,995	2,999	2,993	2,998	3,046
Brisbane ..	838	2,451	2,526	2,719	2,648	2,316	2,631	2,689	2,788	2,782	2,820	2,874
Adelaide ..	861	2,525	2,657	2,871	2,710	2,768	2,740	2,647	2,635	2,727	2,815	2,894
Perth ..	899	2,802	2,868	3,004	3,046	2,972	3,078	2,946	2,941	2,984	2,998	2,963
Hobart ..	880	2,797	2,925	3,142	3,019	3,000	2,973	2,962	3,003	2,965	2,987	3,046
Six Capitals <sup>(b)</sup>	886	2,671	2,811	3,084	2,971	2,993	2,975	2,928	2,988	2,982	2,981	3,022

GROUP II.—RENT <sup>(c)</sup> —(4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES).												
Sydney ..	1,004	1,324	1,338	1,360	1,409	1,478	1,419	1,432	1,450	1,465	1,491	1,506
Melbourne ..	935	998	1,008	1,195	1,229	1,272	1,234	1,241	1,246	1,264	1,279	1,298
Brisbane ..	841	1,010	1,027	1,052	1,104	1,292	1,115	1,119	1,123	1,325	1,347	1,373
Adelaide ..	863	1,174	1,247	1,358	1,468	1,592	1,486	1,503	1,516	1,592	1,618	1,640
Perth ..	872	1,602	1,843	1,972	2,060	2,154	2,072	2,085	2,100	2,154	2,171	2,189
Hobart ..	913	1,271	1,275	1,692	1,816	1,923	1,824	1,848	1,876	1,917	1,935	1,965
Six Capitals <sup>(b)</sup>	942	1,192	1,226	1,325	1,380	1,460	1,389	1,400	1,412	1,455	1,476	1,495

GROUP III.—CLOTHING.												
Sydney ..	833	3,263	3,268	3,292	3,387	3,441	3,393	3,411	3,416	3,445	3,447	3,454
Melbourne ..	820	3,196	3,230	3,267	3,378	3,447	3,388	3,412	3,419	3,457	3,457	3,456
Brisbane ..	823	3,120	3,141	3,152	3,252	3,318	3,259	3,280	3,293	3,317	3,322	3,340
Adelaide ..	857	3,218	3,237	3,224	3,283	3,343	3,292	3,321	3,329	3,355	3,356	3,331
Perth ..	823	3,188	3,221	3,241	3,322	3,367	3,327	3,344	3,355	3,388	3,392	3,413
Hobart ..	848	3,238	3,261	3,309	3,404	3,463	3,415	3,424	3,429	3,465	3,468	3,489
Six Capitals <sup>(b)</sup>	829	3,218	3,237	3,261	3,357	3,418	3,365	3,386	3,393	3,424	3,426	3,429

GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.												
Sydney ..	936	2,048	2,037	2,206	2,420	2,458	2,439	2,447	2,450	2,452	2,464	2,466
Melbourne ..	982	2,090	2,129	2,309	2,382	2,459	2,391	2,400	2,401	2,401	2,448	2,585
Brisbane ..	947	1,987	2,022	2,166	2,266	2,315	2,276	2,284	2,290	2,296	2,306	2,368
Adelaide ..	1,023	2,103	2,145	2,216	2,304	2,357	2,333	2,348	2,350	2,350	2,364	2,364
Perth ..	949	2,049	2,095	2,190	2,304	2,328	2,314	2,322	2,324	2,323	2,331	2,334
Hobart ..	933	2,125	2,128	2,232	2,351	2,390	2,367	2,365	2,367	2,378	2,389	2,427
Six Capitals <sup>(b)</sup>	961	2,062	2,081	2,236	2,372	2,424	2,387	2,397	2,399	2,400	2,423	2,475

(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.  
note (b) on page 104.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) See

**"C" Series Retail Price Index Numbers—Capital Cities—continued.**

*(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)*

City.	1938.	1954.	1955.	1956.	1957.	1958.	1957.		1958.			
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.

**ALL GROUPS.**

*(Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.)(a)*

Sydney .. ..	..	..	..	2,525	2,618	2,677	2,628	2,630	2,677	2,676	2,671	2,682
Melbourne ..	..	..	..	2,492	2,555	2,595	2,567	2,559	2,566	2,581	2,597	2,634
Brisbane ..	..	..	..	2,272	2,361	2,495	2,362	2,402	2,432	2,492	2,508	2,547
Adelaide ..	..	..	..	2,408	2,466	2,545	2,492	2,473	2,472	2,537	2,577	2,593
Perth .. ..	..	..	..	2,653	2,726	2,748	2,741	2,708	2,718	2,753	2,764	2,758
Hobart .. ..	..	..	..	2,622	2,699	2,749	2,699	2,707	2,716	2,735	2,755	2,788
Six Capitals(b)	..	..	..	2,489	2,567	2,626	2,578	2,576	2,601	2,620	2,630	2,652

**ALL GROUPS.**

*(Including Potatoes and Onions.)*

Sydney .. ..	913	2,382	2,439	2,584	2,614	2,663	2,622	2,613	2,665	2,661	2,654	2,673
Melbourne ..	896	2,288	2,365	2,567	2,562	2,590	2,568	2,560	2,564	2,574	2,588	2,635
Brisbane ..	852	2,170	2,211	2,316	2,343	2,471	2,343	2,371	2,411	2,462	2,484	2,525
Adelaide ..	888	2,277	2,354	2,466	2,463	2,536	2,485	2,465	2,466	2,522	2,563	2,591
Perth .. ..	882	2,459	2,554	2,655	2,729	2,743	2,746	2,707	2,712	2,747	2,758	2,755
Hobart .. ..	887	2,406	2,458	2,663	2,690	2,728	2,681	2,684	2,707	2,712	2,727	2,767
Six Capitals(b)	897	2,326	2,393	2,547	2,565	2,615	2,574	2,565	2,592	2,607	2,616	2,646

*(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.*

*(b) Weighted average.*

## "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	Including Potatoes and Onions.					Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.(a)				
	1957.	1958.				1957.	1958.			
		Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.		Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney .. ..	2,997	3,125	3,087	3,044	3,081	3,043	3,161	3,129	3,088	3,105
Newcastle .. ..	3,131	3,246	3,214	3,151	3,129	3,197	3,305	3,287	3,219	3,181
Broken Hill .. ..	3,222	3,209	3,176	3,157	3,233	3,248	3,258	3,253	3,233	3,200
Goulburn .. ..	3,216	3,265	3,260	3,214	3,266	3,239	3,286	3,310	3,274	3,285
Bathurst .. ..	3,115	3,175	3,157	3,091	3,103	3,156	3,203	3,209	3,173	3,162
FIVE TOWNS(b) .. ..	3,015	3,138	3,101	3,056	3,089	3,061	3,176	3,146	3,104	3,117
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne .. ..	2,995	2,999	2,993	2,998	3,046	2,990	3,002	3,010	3,019	3,039
Ballarat .. ..	3,036	3,039	3,046	3,105	3,121	3,072	3,070	3,092	3,152	3,151
Bendigo .. ..	3,080	3,083	3,078	3,086	3,130	3,103	3,108	3,120	3,127	3,144
Geelong .. ..	2,968	2,962	2,976	2,998	3,055	3,004	2,996	3,028	3,048	3,065
Warrnambool .. ..	3,131	3,131	3,123	3,133	3,161	3,160	3,164	3,163	3,172	3,189
FIVE TOWNS(b) .. ..	2,999	3,002	2,998	3,005	3,052	2,998	3,008	3,018	3,028	3,047
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane .. ..	2,689	2,788	2,782	2,820	2,874	2,780	2,851	2,867	2,888	2,939
Toowoomba .. ..	2,708	2,813	2,784	2,730	2,858	2,791	2,871	2,866	2,852	2,916
Rockhampton .. ..	2,676	2,751	2,740	2,758	2,822	2,764	2,806	2,821	2,825	2,882
Townsville .. ..	2,788	2,881	2,806	2,922	3,030	2,887	2,946	2,982	3,015	3,121
Bundaberg .. ..	2,731	2,841	2,864	2,884	2,916	2,816	2,895	2,947	2,965	2,975
FIVE TOWNS(b) .. ..	2,697	2,795	2,789	2,821	2,881	2,788	2,856	2,874	2,891	2,946
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide .. ..	2,647	2,635	2,727	2,815	2,894	2,665	2,646	2,763	2,853	2,899
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo .. ..	2,708	2,708	2,784	2,846	2,879	2,724	2,717	2,823	2,886	2,881
Port Pirie .. ..	2,769	2,770	2,823	2,910	2,990	2,792	2,789	2,870	2,960	2,985
Mount Gambier .. ..	2,711	2,682	2,736	2,756	2,807	2,722	2,692	2,771	2,794	2,801
Peterborough .. ..	2,774	2,760	2,835	2,893	2,918	2,784	2,774	2,877	2,935	2,913
FIVE TOWNS(b) .. ..	2,655	2,644	2,733	2,819	2,896	2,673	2,655	2,769	2,857	2,901
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth and Fremantle .. ..	2,946	2,941	2,984	2,998	2,963	2,943	2,952	2,995	3,005	2,963
Kalgoorlie and Boulder .. ..	3,160	3,173	3,191	3,222	3,232	3,165	3,172	3,190	3,224	3,226
Northam .. ..	3,087	3,088	3,086	3,111	3,087	3,087	3,099	3,095	3,121	3,087
Bunbury .. ..	3,142	3,151	3,159	3,091	3,044	3,142	3,161	3,170	3,100	3,041
Geraldton .. ..	3,211	3,215	3,222	3,238	3,247	3,215	3,230	3,238	3,252	3,252
FIVE TOWNS(b) .. ..	2,974	2,971	3,010	3,024	2,992	2,972	2,981	3,020	3,033	2,992
TASMANIA—										
Hobart .. ..	2,962	3,003	2,965	2,987	3,046	3,016	3,019	3,016	3,054	3,093
Launceston .. ..	2,936	2,906	2,877	2,863	2,901	2,940	2,919	2,907	2,897	2,901
Burnie .. ..	2,957	2,997	2,944	2,966	2,976	2,975	2,995	2,967	2,984	2,991
Devonport .. ..	3,016	3,014	2,955	2,949	3,022	2,992	3,007	2,964	2,980	3,021
Queenstown .. ..	3,242	3,261	3,269	3,334	3,382	3,267	3,281	3,294	3,377	3,411
FIVE TOWNS(b) .. ..	2,967	2,982	2,947	2,958	3,010	2,999	2,996	2,988	3,011	3,038
THIRTY TOWNS(b) .. ..	2,936	2,995	2,989	2,987	3,028	2,967	3,020	3,027	3,026	3,045
SIX CAPITALS(b) .. ..	2,928	2,988	2,982	2,981	3,022	2,955	3,012	3,018	3,017	3,037
Lithgow (N.S.W.)(c) .. ..	3,161	3,217	3,189	3,146	3,163	3,176	3,226	3,239	3,208	3,194
Warwick (Q.)(c) .. ..	2,732	2,803	2,806	2,820	2,856	2,807	2,858	2,877	2,887	2,890
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c) .. ..	2,775	2,768	2,828	2,931	2,999	2,784	2,779	2,861	2,965	3,006
Whyalla (S.A.)(c) .. ..	2,850	2,826	2,919	2,990	3,067	2,840	2,832	2,948	3,012	3,046
Canberra (A.C.T.)(c) .. ..	3,256	3,323	3,306	3,291	3,340	3,276	3,347	3,356	3,354	3,365

(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.  
in weighted averages above.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Not included

## THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

Retail Price Index Numbers—Food, Groceries, Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1933.	1954.	1955.	Including Potatoes and Onions.				Excluding Price Movement of Potatoes and Onions.(a)			
				1956.	1957.	1958.	Dec. Qtr. 1958.	1956.	1957.	1958.	Dec. Qtr. 1958.
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>											
Sydney .. ..	913	2,382	2,439	2,584	2,614	2,663	2,673	2,525	2,618	2,677	2,682
Newcastle .. ..	877	2,324	2,395	2,531	2,558	2,606	2,595	2,474	2,570	2,629	2,616
Broken Hill .. ..	940	2,421	2,453	2,576	2,617	2,639	2,660	2,516	2,625	2,663	2,678
Goulburn .. ..	893	2,327	2,422	2,587	2,615	2,661	2,679	2,520	2,613	2,675	2,633
Bathurst .. ..	860	2,382	2,441	2,560	2,579	2,593	2,590	2,498	2,579	2,614	2,612
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	911	2,378	2,435	2,579	2,610	2,653	2,666	2,521	2,614	2,673	2,677
<b>VICTORIA—</b>											
Melbourne .. ..	896	2,288	2,365	2,567	2,562	2,590	2,635	2,492	2,555	2,595	2,634
Ballarat .. ..	850	2,272	2,340	2,529	2,525	2,561	2,605	2,462	2,527	2,575	2,616
Bendigo .. ..	854	2,266	2,339	2,540	2,551	2,595	2,637	2,473	2,550	2,605	2,642
Geelong .. ..	884	2,263	2,341	2,538	2,532	2,561	2,605	2,471	2,533	2,575	2,609
Warrnambool ..	892	2,345	2,407	2,592	2,586	2,607	2,645	2,526	2,587	2,620	2,655
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	895	2,286	2,363	2,564	2,559	2,589	2,633	2,490	2,554	2,593	2,633
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>											
Brisbane .. ..	852	2,170	2,211	2,316	2,343	2,471	2,525	2,272	2,361	2,495	2,547
Toowoomba .. ..	843	2,191	2,247	2,356	2,371	2,449	2,488	2,309	2,391	2,473	2,508
Rockhampton ..	853	2,206	2,253	2,346	2,374	2,456	2,510	2,303	2,391	2,480	2,533
Townsville .. ..	902	2,284	2,333	2,434	2,462	2,564	2,629	2,393	2,482	2,594	2,660
Bundaberg .. ..	831	2,157	2,202	2,293	2,331	2,451	2,498	2,248	2,347	2,476	2,519
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	854	2,181	2,225	2,328	2,355	2,474	2,527	2,284	2,373	2,498	2,550
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>											
Adelaide .. ..	888	2,277	2,354	2,466	2,463	2,536	2,591	2,408	2,466	2,545	2,593
Kadina, etc. ..	786	2,201	2,255	2,355	2,347	2,383	2,408	2,297	2,351	2,392	2,409
Port Pirie .. ..	868	2,251	2,309	2,408	2,414	2,459	2,503	2,348	2,418	2,470	2,501
Mount Gambier ..	849	2,267	2,314	2,428	2,415	2,451	2,479	2,364	2,415	2,459	2,478
Peterborough ..	868	2,255	2,330	2,428	2,412	2,469	2,495	2,366	2,413	2,478	2,493
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	883	2,274	2,348	2,460	2,457	2,526	2,579	2,401	2,459	2,536	2,581
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>											
Perth, etc. .. ..	882	2,459	2,554	2,655	2,729	2,743	2,755	2,653	2,726	2,748	2,758
Kalgoorlie, etc. ..	1,048	2,426	2,493	2,563	2,625	2,653	2,670	2,559	2,623	2,653	2,660
Northam .. ..	900	2,417	2,508	2,584	2,691	2,707	2,711	2,582	2,688	2,711	2,713
Bunbury .. ..	914	2,447	2,569	2,664	2,749	2,760	2,785	2,660	2,745	2,795	2,788
Geraldton .. ..	957	2,577	2,702	2,825	2,916	2,955	2,974	2,822	2,913	2,961	2,977
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	897	2,458	2,552	2,651	2,725	2,741	2,753	2,648	2,722	2,746	2,756
<b>TASMANIA—</b>											
Hobart .. ..	887	2,406	2,458	2,663	2,690	2,728	2,767	2,622	2,699	2,749	2,788
Launceston .. ..	872	2,364	2,400	2,650	2,652	2,660	2,684	2,566	2,652	2,670	2,688
Burnie .. ..	865	2,316	2,373	2,583	2,618	2,630	2,645	2,523	2,616	2,637	2,654
Devonport .. ..	848	2,295	2,339	2,547	2,630	2,657	2,702	2,400	2,625	2,663	2,705
Queenstown .. ..	875	2,321	2,380	2,514	2,544	2,582	2,629	2,455	2,544	2,591	2,637
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	879	2,381	2,428	2,646	2,668	2,695	2,729	2,598	2,672	2,711	2,743
<b>THIRTY TOWNS(b)</b>	894	2,323	2,389	2,542	2,561	2,610	2,640	2,484	2,563	2,622	2,647
<b>SIX CAPITALS(b)</b> ..	897	2,326	2,393	2,547	2,565	2,615	2,646	2,489	2,567	2,626	2,652
<b>Warwick (Q.)(c)</b> ..	800	2,178	2,218	2,312	2,326	2,416	2,456	2,264	2,339	2,437	2,469
<b>Port Augusta (S.A.)(c)</b> ..	863	2,235	2,300	2,418	2,419	2,451	2,495	2,353	2,417	2,458	2,496
<b>Whyalla (S.A.)(c)</b> ..	(d)	2,313	2,367	2,472	2,515	2,554	2,597	2,413	2,514	2,558	2,589
<b>Canberra (A.C.T.)(c)</b> ..	966	2,353	2,472	2,660	2,679	2,708	2,721	2,598	2,680	2,724	2,731

(a) Cumulative from (and including) September Quarter, 1955.  
weighted averages above.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Not included in  
(d) Not available.

## THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

The "C" Series Retail Price Index and its Group Index Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined.

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries. (b)	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (c)	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	All Groups. (b)
Year—					
1914(d) .. ..	641	649	754	749	687
1919(d) .. ..	1,026	768	1,238	1,036	1,022
1925 .. ..	998	1,008	991	992	997
1926 .. ..	1,023	1,026	986	998	1,011
1927 .. ..	1,000	1,030	975	1,008	1,002
1928 .. ..	985	1,066	997	1,010	1,009
1929 .. ..	1,044	1,073	996	1,007	1,033
1930 .. ..	941	1,047	951	999	975
1931 .. ..	826	901	853	973	873
1932 .. ..	796	817	804	958	830
1933 .. ..	751	804	787	950	804
1934 .. ..	783	810	785	944	817
1935 .. ..	806	839	783	946	832
1936 .. ..	825	879	792	947	850
1937 .. ..	851	912	811	960	873
1938 .. ..	886	942	829	961	897
1939 .. ..	927	965	841	962	920
1940 .. ..	939	973	956	998	957
1941 .. ..	947	976	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942 .. ..	1,031	976	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943 .. ..	1,037	975	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944 .. ..	1,026	976	1,435	1,165	1,126
1945 .. ..	1,034	975	1,425	1,161	1,126
1946 .. ..	1,036	976	1,505	1,167	1,145
1947 .. ..	1,100	977	1,566	1,199	1,188
1948 .. ..	1,256	979	1,744	1,257	1,295
1949 .. ..	1,394	982	1,997	1,338	1,415
1950 .. ..	1,566	987	2,286	1,435	1,560
1951 .. ..	2,041	1,009	2,749	1,679	1,883
1952 .. ..	2,526	1,057	3,096	1,958	2,196
1953 .. ..	2,641	1,138	3,223	2,053	2,302
1954 .. ..	2,671	1,192	3,218	2,062	2,326
1955 .. ..	2,811	1,226	3,237	2,081	2,393
1956 .. ..	A 2,923 B 3,084	1,325	3,261	2,236	A 2,489 B 2,547
1957 .. ..	2,973 2,971	1,380	3,357	2,372	2,567 2,565
1958 .. ..	3,021 2,993	1,460	3,418	2,424	2,626 2,615
Quarter—					
1956—December	2,954 3,111	1,339	3,292	2,320	2,526 2,583
1957—March ..	2,973 2,982	1,357	3,323	2,336	2,547 2,550
June ..	2,977 2,997	1,373	3,354	2,368	2,565 2,572
September ..	2,987 2,975	1,389	3,365	2,387	2,578 2,574
December ..	2,955 2,928	1,400	3,386	2,397	2,576 2,565
1958—March ..	3,012 2,988	1,412	3,393	2,399	2,601 2,592
June ..	3,018 2,982	1,455	3,424	2,400	2,620 2,607
September ..	3,017 2,981	1,476	3,426	2,423	2,630 2,616
December ..	3,037 3,022	1,495	3,429	2,475	2,652 2,646

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of food and groceries and rent, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000. (b) Indexes in columns "A" exclude, (as from September quarter, 1955), and those in columns "B" include, the price movement of potatoes and onions.

(c) See note (b) on page 104.

(d) November.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
NEW SOUTH WALES—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

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Item.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	16.30	16.30	15.80	16.50	16.50	16.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	17.50	17.50	17.00	17.50	17.50	17.00
Flour, plain ..	"	18.75	18.75	18.15	17.00	17.00	16.75	13.20	13.20	13.20	16.50	16.50	15.50	16.00	16.00	15.00
" self-raising ..	"	23.35	23.35	22.55	24.00	23.71	21.92	18.80	19.20	19.20	25.40	25.40	24.40	23.00	23.00	22.20
Tea ..	1 lb.	80.65	78.70	78.70	82.21	80.50	80.08	79.63	79.63	79.63	82.80	80.80	80.80	78.80	77.88	78.10
Sugar ..	"	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.96	10.96	10.96	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.70	10.70	10.70
Rice ..	"	11.94	11.88	11.88	12.67	12.67	12.67	12.75	12.75	12.75	13.10	13.10	13.10	12.50	12.50	12.50
Tapiocha, seed ..	"	16.89	16.89	16.89	15.40	15.50	15.50	12.13	12.38	12.38	16.33	16.33	16.33	15.80	15.80	15.20
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	38.00	38.00	38.00	37.36	37.36	37.36	33.50	33.50	33.50	39.50	39.50	39.60	38.20	38.20	38.80
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	21.05	21.05	21.05	22.57	22.57	22.57	23.80	23.80	23.80	23.60	23.60	23.60	22.40	22.40	22.40
Oats, flaked ..	1 lb.	11.83	11.83	11.83	12.55	12.55	12.55	11.92	11.92	11.92	12.81	12.81	12.81	12.06	12.06	12.27
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.69	32.69	32.29	31.70	32.13	32.13	31.40	31.80	31.80	34.50	34.50	34.50	32.90	32.90	32.70
Currants ..	"	27.83	27.83	27.83	28.83	28.83	28.83	26.25	26.25	26.25	27.55	27.55	27.55	27.83	27.83	27.83
Apricots, dried ..	"	74.10	80.63	80.63	70.00	69.00	69.00	66.00	66.00	66.00	73.25	73.25	73.25	71.00	71.00	71.00
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	47.05	47.05	47.05	47.29	47.29	46.33	41.75	39.75	39.75	49.90	49.90	49.90	46.30	46.10	45.90
Pears, canned ..	"	44.45	44.45	44.45	44.50	43.79	44.33	40.00	37.60	37.60	50.10	48.70	48.80	45.80	45.80	45.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	46.09	35.75	37.58	39.07	36.50	35.18	28.25	28.50	43.99	38.30	38.40	42.50	23.50	24.38	38.38
Onions, brown ..	1 lb.	6.40	6.20	7.70	6.71	6.71	6.30	7.80	8.50	8.50	8.10	8.40	8.30	8.38	8.38	8.38
Soap ..	"	18.67	19.24	19.84	18.50	18.78	18.78	20.54	20.54	20.54	20.20	20.60	20.58	18.93	19.40	19.40
Kerosene ..	quart	9.21	9.21	9.21	8.96	8.96	8.96	10.25	10.30	10.30	10.31	10.44	10.44	10.32	10.32	10.32
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	1 lb.	55.65	55.65	55.65	56.14	56.14	56.14	56.70	56.70	57.10	57.60	57.60	57.60	55.40	55.40	55.40
Cheese, mild ..	"	42.17	42.17	42.17	40.38	40.38	40.38	44.50	45.00	45.00	42.88	42.88	42.88	43.20	43.00	43.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	66.00	72.00	72.00	66.00	72.00	72.00	49.00	50.80	61.75	66.00	72.00	72.00	66.00	72.00	72.00
Bacon, rashers ..	1 lb.	80.43	79.71	79.71	80.50	80.50	80.50	71.50	73.50	73.50	77.00	77.00	77.00	73.00	73.00	73.00
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	24.65	24.65	24.65	24.93	25.00	25.00	26.20	26.20	26.20	26.10	26.10	26.00	23.70	23.70	23.80
" fresh, loose (b) ..	quart	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	24.00	24.00	24.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
" bottled(b) ..	"															
Meat—		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin ..	1 lb.	48.92			49.00			45.86			49.40			46.22		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	37.73			37.43			35.57			37.80			37.75		
" steak, rump ..	"	64.00			65.57			60.38			66.00			61.00		
" chuck ..	"	32.77			34.52			35.70			36.00			31.25		
" sausages ..	"	23.43			25.71			23.33			23.40			24.00		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	33.20			41.15			41.43			38.40			37.75		
" brisket ..	"	26.07			25.00			34.00			30.40			30.00		
Mutton, leg ..	"	22.33			27.57			30.91			31.00			28.17		
" forequarter ..	"	15.37			14.76			18.76			20.00			18.08		
" loin ..	"	24.10			25.76			34.24			31.33			29.50		
" chops, loin ..	"	23.70			26.14			36.00			31.33			30.00		
" leg ..	"	25.10			27.43			34.86			31.00			30.00		
Pork, leg ..	"	58.43			53.71			57.57			55.50			57.50		
" loin ..	"	58.00			52.29			57.57			55.50			57.83		
" chops ..	"	57.07			53.14			58.86			52.50			59.00		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

PRICES.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
VICTORIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

Item.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GUELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—																
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, plain ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.50	16.50	16.50	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.50
" self-raising ..	"	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.40	12.40	12.60	12.08	12.08	12.92	11.63	11.63	11.63	12.10	12.10	12.70
Tea ..	lb.	20.45	20.45	20.65	21.50	21.50	21.60	21.42	21.42	21.58	21.00	21.00	21.13	22.50	22.50	22.60
Sugar ..	"	80.65	79.45	79.25	82.40	81.40	81.00	82.92	81.25	80.92	80.25	79.75	79.75	83.00	82.20	82.20
Rice ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.47	10.47	10.47	10.70	10.70	10.70	10.13	10.06	10.06	10.76	10.76	10.76
Tapioca, seed ..	"	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.40	12.40	12.40	12.30	12.00	12.00	13.60	13.60	13.60
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	13.56	13.56	13.56	12.38	12.38	12.38	14.58	14.42	14.42	13.25	13.25	13.25	12.88	12.88	12.88
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	31.22	30.69	30.69	32.80	32.80	32.60	32.92	32.92	32.92	32.13	31.50	31.50	33.40	33.40	33.40
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	20.55	20.50	20.55	22.10	22.10	22.10	22.30	22.50	22.50	21.00	20.75	20.75	23.80	23.80	23.80
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.30	10.30	10.30	11.53	11.53	11.53	11.53	11.53	11.53	10.15	10.15	10.15	12.03	12.03	12.03
Currants ..	"	30.89	30.89	30.89	31.00	31.00	31.00	33.13	33.13	33.13	29.50	29.88	30.88	32.60	32.40	32.00
Apricots, dried ..	"	26.75	27.25	26.50	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	26.50	26.50	26.50
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	69.00	69.00	69.00	66.00	66.00	66.00	70.50	70.50	70.50	65.71	65.71	65.71	69.00	69.00	69.00
Pears, canned ..	"	41.45	41.30	41.00	42.00	41.40	41.40	44.60	43.50	42.75	42.50	41.25	40.75	44.60	44.60	43.60
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	37.10	36.90	36.50	38.20	37.80	37.80	39.70	38.10	38.30	39.00	38.63	38.38	41.40	40.90	40.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	34.38	36.75	41.11	25.60	21.90	30.30	35.50	31.25	39.20	33.38	31.50	31.97	23.50	23.70	26.40
Soap ..	"	6.67	6.67	6.54	5.80	6.00	6.00	7.50	7.50	7.83	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.50	5.50	5.25
Kerosene ..	quart	18.74	19.24	19.24	19.00	19.33	19.53	19.39	19.60	19.67	18.25	18.67	18.58	19.67	19.80	20.00
Dairy Produce—	"	8.81	8.81	8.81	9.72	9.75	9.81	10.12	10.13	10.13	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.19	10.19	10.19
Butter, factory ..	lb.	55.75	55.60	55.60	56.90	56.90	56.90	55.33	55.33	55.33	56.00	55.63	55.63	55.90	55.70	55.20
Cheese, mild ..	"	40.75	40.75	40.75	44.00	43.60	43.60	42.17	42.17	42.17	40.33	40.50	40.50	42.33	42.33	42.33
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	49.60	62.60	69.40	49.80	63.00	70.00	50.00	62.83	70.00	50.00	62.75	69.50	50.90	62.20	68.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	80.43	80.43	80.43	77.40	76.60	76.60	81.40	81.40	81.40	78.50	78.75	78.75	81.20	81.20	81.20
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	22.50	22.50	22.50	24.30	24.30	24.30	24.08	24.08	24.08	23.88	23.88	23.13	24.00	23.70	23.70
" fresh, loose <sup>(b)</sup>	quart	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
" " bottled <sup>(b)</sup>	"	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.50	19.50	19.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.00	18.00	18.00
Quarterly Average.																
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	45.70			45.20			42.62			41.53			41.80		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	43.93			41.83			43.15			45.25			42.75		
" steak, rump ..	"	67.23			71.00			61.19			67.27			64.20		
" chuck ..	"	35.13			39.89			35.29			38.00			36.60		
" sausages ..	"	23.13			25.67			23.86			23.60			23.40		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	44.47			45.17			42.15			44.13			42.80		
" brisket ..	"	30.33			25.00			33.00			34.60			31.60		
Mutton, leg ..	"	25.46			30.72			31.60			28.00			34.00		
" forequarter ..	"	17.19			18.55			16.53			17.13			22.60		
" loin ..	"	25.17			28.89			31.20			27.53			34.20		
" chops, loin ..	"	25.71			30.72			31.60			28.27			35.80		
" leg ..	"	29.13			31.72			31.20			28.00			36.75		
Pork, leg ..	"	57.33			56.67			55.67			57.53			59.50		
" loin ..	"	59.57			57.33			59.00			58.07			59.00		
" chops ..	"	59.27			57.33			59.50			58.87			59.50		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
QUEENSLAND—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

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PRICES.

Item.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Flour, plain ..	"	11.45	11.45	11.45	11.29	11.29	11.14	13.79	13.79	13.79	14.30	14.30	14.30	12.50	12.60	12.60
" self-raising ..	"	19.95	19.95	19.90	20.83	20.83	20.83	22.71	22.71	22.50	22.38	22.88	22.88	22.20	22.30	22.30
Tea ..	lb.	77.70	77.70	77.70	77.43	77.00	77.00	78.57	78.57	78.57	80.30	80.30	80.30	79.00	79.00	79.00
Sugar ..	"	9.93	9.93	9.93	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.28	10.28	10.28	11.50	11.50	11.50	9.95	9.95	9.95
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.83	12.83	12.83	12.92	12.92	12.92	12.90	12.90	12.90	13.13	13.00	13.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	14.63	14.63	14.63	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.67	15.67	15.90	16.00	16.17	16.17	14.83	14.67	14.83
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	34.00	34.00	33.95	34.93	34.29	33.64	35.79	35.79	35.79	35.00	35.00	35.00	36.60	36.60	36.60
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	18.95	18.95	18.95	20.86	20.86	20.86	22.50	22.50	22.50	24.40	24.40	24.40	19.80	19.80	19.80
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	12.49	12.49	12.49	12.97	12.84	12.84	12.61	12.69	12.69	12.42	12.42	12.42	13.38	13.38	13.30
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.44	30.44	30.44	30.67	31.08	31.25	31.50	31.36	31.36	32.00	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50	31.50
Currants ..	"	25.77	25.77	25.77	26.00	26.63	26.63	28.27	28.04	28.04	28.83	28.83	28.50	29.00	29.00	29.00
Apricots, dried ..	"	62.50	62.50	62.50	63.00	61.00	61.00	67.00	67.00	67.00	69.75	69.75	69.75	65.50	65.50	65.50
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	44.70	44.70	44.15	46.07	45.93	45.93	47.71	47.71	46.36	45.50	45.20	45.20	47.30	47.30	46.90
Pears, canned ..	"	41.65	41.65	41.70	43.43	43.43	43.43	42.29	42.14	43.14	43.30	43.30	41.90	44.50	44.60	44.50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	54.95	29.85	37.45	43.07	22.79	28.86	43.14	36.29	39.29	37.50	32.80	33.40	54.80	37.90	35.90
Onions, brown ..	lb.	5.20	5.05	6.50	5.21	5.75	5.92	6.29	5.71	6.64	6.20	6.50	7.20	6.10	5.70	6.50
Soap ..	"	18.60	18.60	18.60	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.57	18.57	18.57	18.60	18.60	18.60	18.87	18.87	18.87
Kerosene ..	quart	8.81	8.81	8.81	9.73	9.81	9.81	10.63	10.53	10.53	9.67	9.74	9.74	10.93	10.95	10.95
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	55.85	55.85	55.85	55.50	55.50	55.50	55.71	55.71	55.71	56.20	56.20	56.20	55.90	55.90	55.30
Cheese, mild ..	"	35.89	35.89	36.11	36.50	36.33	36.33	40.50	40.79	40.86	42.30	42.50	42.70	33.13	33.13	38.88
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	63.80	63.80	71.90	44.50	49.57	60.29	52.57	55.33	66.43	69.00	72.00	78.75	55.80	62.80	70.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	73.83	74.17	74.17	67.20	67.20	67.20	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.50	70.00	71.25	72.50	72.50	72.50
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	24.45	24.40	24.40	24.93	25.07	25.07	25.50	25.50	25.21	24.70	24.70	24.70	25.40	25.30	25.30
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
" bottled(b) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.50	19.50	19.50	18.00	18.00	18.00
Quarterly Average.					Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	42.07			42.28			36.05			41.67			37.60		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	35.10			35.50			29.86			34.73			30.87		
" steak, rump ..	"	51.23			51.67			45.05			50.67			46.80		
" chuck ..	"	28.80			28.67			22.86			27.93			24.40		
" sausages ..	"	24.00			23.67			24.00			24.00			23.87		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	39.03			39.22			33.71			38.53			34.80		
" brisket ..	"	27.57			27.83			21.90			27.13			23.40		
Mutton, leg ..	"	26.57			28.39			27.95			30.60			33.00		
" forequarter ..	"	12.83			14.22			13.95			16.13			15.93		
" loin ..	"	25.90			26.89			26.48			28.73			31.80		
" chops, loin ..	"	26.40			29.06			28.90			30.93			33.00		
" leg ..	"	26.50			28.39			28.00			30.93			33.00		
Pork, leg ..	"	53.00			41.83			43.43			53.40			45.60		
" loin ..	"	51.90			41.83			43.43			50.40			42.00		
" chops ..	"	51.57			42.39			43.43			50.40			44.20		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

Item.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PHILL.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	15.50	15.50	15.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	(c)15.50	(c)15.50	(c)15.50
Flour, plain ..	"	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.86	11.86	11.86	11.33	11.33	11.33	12.50	12.50	12.50
" self-raising ..	"	17.20	17.80	17.95	18.33	18.83	18.83	18.29	18.86	19.00	17.60	17.80	17.80	18.50	19.25	19.50
Tea ..	lb.	78.40	78.40	78.40	79.25	79.25	79.25	79.50	79.50	79.50	79.90	79.90	79.90	79.75	79.75	79.75
Sugar ..	"	9.98	9.98	9.98	10.46	10.46	10.46	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.50	10.50	10.50
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.67	12.67	12.67	12.93	12.93	12.93	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.00	13.00	13.00
Tapioca, seed ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.42	11.43	11.43	11.50	11.33	11.33	12.00	12.00	12.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	32.61	32.61	32.61	34.58	34.58	34.58	34.20	34.20	34.20	33.30	33.30	33.30	34.38	34.38	34.38
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	21.33	21.33	21.33	21.57	21.57	21.57	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.13	22.13	22.13
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.08	11.08	11.08	11.58	11.58	11.58
Raisins, seeded ..	"	33.50	33.50	33.50	34.58	34.58	34.58	34.50	34.50	34.50	33.70	33.90	33.90	34.50	34.63	34.63
Currants ..	"	28.50	28.50	28.50	29.17	29.17	29.17	29.50	29.50	29.50	29.33	29.33	29.33	29.33	29.33	29.33
Apricots, dried ..	"	69.13	69.13	69.13	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	69.00	69.00	69.00	70.00	70.00	70.00
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	46.11	45.56	45.56	47.25	47.25	47.25	48.07	47.93	47.93	45.88	46.30	46.30	48.13	48.13	48.13
Pears, canned ..	"	41.20	41.10	40.60	42.75	42.75	42.75	42.36	42.36	42.36	43.90	43.90	43.90	43.00	43.00	44.25
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	35.20	28.40	37.70	42.00	38.00	43.00	37.57	40.86	45.57	33.25	29.40	35.88	42.00	35.00	45.50
Onions, brown ..	lb.	6.00	7.25	7.25	7.08	8.56	8.56	6.86	7.57	7.67	6.33	6.33	6.33	6.00	6.50	7.33
Soap ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.78	19.78	19.78	19.14	19.14	19.14	19.40	19.40	19.40	20.00	20.00	20.00
Kerosene ..	quart	8.41	8.41	8.42	9.13	9.13	9.13	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.25	9.25	9.25
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	55.65	55.65	55.65	57.42	57.42	57.42	57.50	57.50	57.50	55.70	55.70	55.70	56.50	56.50	56.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	36.00	36.00	36.00	36.90	36.90	36.90	38.00	38.00	38.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	37.00	37.00	37.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	51.33	54.44	59.44	34.67	35.33	38.50	35.50	35.50	40.00	37.20	40.80	44.60	34.50	34.75	39.50
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	67.13	67.69	67.94	65.80	69.00	69.00	67.50	67.50	67.50	67.83	68.50	69.50	69.00	69.00	69.00
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	25.50	25.50	25.50	26.17	26.17	26.17	26.29	26.29	26.29	24.90	24.90	24.90	26.50	26.50	26.50
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.00	18.00	18.00	..	..	..	16.00	16.00	16.00	18.50	18.50	18.50
" bottled(b) ..	"	19.00	19.00	19.00	..	..	..	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	..	..	..
Meat—		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	38.10			32.43			38.00			33.60			33.00		
" rib (without bone) ..	"	41.10			36.29			42.00			37.47			36.67		
" steak, rump ..	"	60.30			57.05			60.29			54.73			59.45		
" chuck ..	"	35.10			33.72			36.00			31.27			35.33		
" sausages ..	"	21.22			21.00			24.00			20.40			20.44		
" (corned) silver-side ..	"	43.67			41.14			43.52			38.27			42.00		
" brisket ..	"	31.57			30.38			32.91			27.53			30.00		
Mutton, leg ..	"	25.73			23.52			25.10			22.93			23.56		
" forequarter ..	"	12.80			12.00			14.57			11.60			12.44		
" loin ..	"	24.63			22.33			25.71			23.60			25.00		
" chops, loin ..	"	24.93			22.90			26.29			24.13			25.23		
" leg ..	"	25.43			23.19			26.29			24.73			24.33		
Pork, leg ..	"	52.47			41.43			46.43			45.00			47.00		
" loin ..	"	52.87			41.43			46.71			45.00			45.67		
" chops ..	"	53.17			43.14			47.00			45.73			46.55		

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(b) Delivered.

(c) Not delivered.

PRICES.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

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Item.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, etc.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread <sup>(b)</sup>	2 lb.	16.00	16.00	16.00	(c)15.50	(c)15.50	(c)15.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Flour, plain	..	13.75	13.75	13.75	15.83	15.83	15.83	14.25	14.25	14.25	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
„ self-raising	..	20.50	20.50	20.50	24.17	24.17	24.17	22.25	22.25	22.25	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.10	22.10
Tea	lb.	80.50	77.05	77.05	87.75	83.83	83.83	80.50	78.50	78.50	84.40	81.70	81.70	85.50	82.00	82.00
Sugar	..	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.52	10.52	10.52	10.68	10.68	10.68	10.93	10.93	10.93
Rice	..	11.85	11.85	11.83	14.00	14.00	14.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.70	12.70	12.70	12.88	12.88	12.88
Taploca, seed	..	16.00	15.50	15.00	16.00	16.33	16.33	13.83	13.67	13.67	13.33	13.33	13.33	16.75	16.75	16.75
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	36.75	36.75	36.35	38.60	38.60	38.60	34.75	34.75	34.75	38.88	38.88	38.88	39.30	40.67	40.00
Golden Syrup	2 lb.	21.10	21.10	21.10	25.50	25.50	25.50	22.25	22.25	22.25	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.80	23.80	23.80
Oats, flaked	lb.	12.32	12.22	12.22	13.81	13.87	13.87	12.77	12.77	12.77	13.08	13.08	13.08	13.79	13.79	13.86
Raisins, seeded	..	32.00	32.00	32.50	35.00	36.70	36.70	31.83	31.83	31.83	31.88	33.83	33.83	35.00	36.13	35.63
Currants	..	26.60	26.80	26.40	31.42	31.42	31.42	29.00	29.00	29.00	29.25	28.67	28.67	31.50	31.75	31.60
Apricots, dried	..	70.50	70.50	70.50	75.50	75.50	75.50	71.00	71.00	71.00	70.67	70.67	70.67	78.00	78.00	78.00
Peaches, canned	29 oz.	42.44	44.11	44.35	54.50	54.42	54.42	44.13	42.38	43.75	52.63	50.63	50.63	47.50	46.30	46.30
Pears, canned	..	41.39	40.55	40.40	48.25	48.67	49.00	43.13	42.38	43.25	46.88	46.88	46.88	45.20	43.10	42.00
Potatoes	7 lb.	35.00	39.14	39.14	39.00	42.83	42.83	39.25	42.75	42.75	34.60	38.70	38.70	37.20	41.60	41.60
Onions, brown	lb.	7.81	7.94	7.81	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.70	8.70	9.20	8.80	8.80
Soap	..	19.70	19.70	19.70	21.33	21.33	21.33	20.42	20.42	20.42	20.54	20.54	20.54	20.80	20.80	20.80
Kerosene	quart	13.34	13.34	13.34	15.65	15.65	15.65	14.83	14.83	14.83	14.97	14.97	14.97	16.19	16.19	16.19
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory	lb.	54.80	54.80	54.80	60.00	60.00	60.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00
Cheese, mild	..	47.30	47.30	47.30	48.17	48.25	48.25	46.63	46.63	46.38	46.83	46.83	46.83	47.40	47.20	47.70
Eggs, grade 1a	doz.	61.18	61.18	61.18	58.18	56.74	56.90	61.38	61.38	61.38	63.29	63.29	63.29	63.29	63.29	63.29
Bacon, rashers	lb.	70.17	70.17	70.17	73.50	73.50	73.50	67.33	67.33	67.33	72.67	72.67	72.67	73.60	73.60	73.60
Milk, condensed	14 oz. tin	23.00	23.00	23.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	23.63	23.63	23.63	25.63	25.38	25.38	25.40	25.40	25.40
„ fresh, loose <sup>(b)</sup>	quart	..	..	..	24.00	24.00	24.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
„ „ bottled <sup>(b)</sup>	..	19.00	19.00	19.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Meat—		Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.			Quarterly Average.		
Beef, sirloin	lb.	..	42.59	..	..	40.00	..	..	42.67	..	..	42.60	..	..	46.00	..
„ rib (without bone)	..	..	42.23	..	..	41.43	..	..	43.33	..	..	39.07	..	..	44.78	..
„ steak, rump	..	..	59.03	..	..	57.71	..	..	60.00	..	..	58.80	..	..	57.00	..
„ „ chuck	..	..	36.17	..	..	37.71	..	..	37.55	..	..	39.33	..	..	42.00	..
„ sausages	..	..	22.22	..	..	26.57	..	..	25.89	..	..	26.73	..	..	24.67	..
„ (corned) silver-side	..	..	40.77	..	..	38.86	..	..	42.33	..	..	41.40	..	..	45.67	..
„ „ brisket	..	..	29.27	..	..	29.57	..	..	34.67	..	..	31.60	..	..	38.00	..
Mutton, leg	..	..	24.87	..	..	31.00	..	..	26.67	..	..	26.60	..	..	30.33	..
„ „ forequarter	..	..	15.13	..	..	15.00	..	..	17.44	..	..	15.93	..	..	21.00	..
„ „ loin	..	..	23.47	..	..	29.14	..	..	27.67	..	..	24.20	..	..	27.67	..
„ „ chops, loin	..	..	23.47	..	..	29.14	..	..	27.89	..	..	25.80	..	..	27.67	..
„ „ „ leg	..	..	23.47	..	..	29.14	..	..	28.67	..	..	25.80	..	..	29.00	..
Pork, leg	..	..	51.53	..	..	48.00	..	..	45.22	..	..	46.07	..	..	50.89	..
„ „ loin	..	..	51.17	..	..	53.14	..	..	43.44	..	..	46.20	..	..	50.89	..
„ „ chops	..	..	51.17	..	..	53.43	..	..	45.00	..	..	47.33	..	..	50.89	..

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(b) Delivered.

(c) Not delivered.

PRICES.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
TASMANIA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

Item.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, etc.—																
Bread(b) ..	2 lb.	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.50	17.50	17.50
Flour, plain ..	"	12.80	12.80	12.80	12.57	12.57	12.71	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.20	13.20	13.20	14.00	14.00	14.00
" self-raising ..	"	21.95	21.95	22.06	21.30	21.30	21.63	22.63	22.75	22.75	22.30	22.30	22.30	23.17	23.17	23.17
Tea ..	lb.	85.35	83.50	83.50	86.07	83.86	83.86	86.50	84.50	84.50	86.60	84.40	84.40	87.00	85.25	85.25
Sugar ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.55	10.55	10.55	10.75	10.75	10.75
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.88	11.88	11.88	12.50	12.50	12.50
Tapioca, seed ..	"	15.14	15.14	15.14	16.21	15.36	15.36	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.33	16.33	16.33	18.33	18.33	18.33
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	35.95	35.95	35.95	36.00	26.00	36.00	37.30	37.30	37.30	36.60	36.60	36.60	37.50	37.50	37.50
Golden Syrup ..	2 lb.	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.86	22.86	22.86	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.30	23.30	23.30	24.00	24.00	24.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	12.93	12.93	12.93	12.45	13.33	13.33	13.37	13.37	13.37	13.34	13.16	13.16	13.47	13.65	13.65
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.50	32.61	32.61	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.50	34.60	34.70	35.00	35.00	35.00
Currants ..	"	28.50	28.50	28.50	30.25	30.25	30.67	31.50	31.50	31.50	29.00	29.00	29.00	30.50	30.50	30.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	67.67	67.67	67.67	74.50	74.50	74.50	68.75	68.75	71.00	66.00	66.00	66.00	73.25	73.25	73.25
Peaches, canned ..	29 oz.	50.40	49.90	49.60	50.29	49.36	49.71	52.70	52.70	50.50	49.10	48.30	48.30	54.00	54.00	54.00
Pears, canned ..	"	50.55	50.80	50.80	51.43	51.14	51.14	51.20	51.20	51.20	47.20	47.20	47.10	53.75	53.75	53.75
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	33.43	35.70	36.17	28.00	33.50	42.00	29.26	25.76	32.76	28.00	34.00	38.50	34.75	25.75	33.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.50	8.50	8.25	7.50	7.60	8.20	9.00	9.00	9.60	10.25	9.50	9.50	10.00	10.00	10.00
Soap ..	"	18.83	19.13	19.20	18.76	19.14	19.14	19.00	19.40	19.54	19.07	19.20	19.74	19.33	20.00	20.00
Kerosene ..	quart	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.66	13.66	13.66	14.52	14.52	14.52	13.77	13.77	13.83	11.44	11.44	11.44
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	54.90	54.90	54.90	55.14	55.14	55.14	58.50	58.50	58.50	56.40	56.40	56.40	57.50	57.50	57.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	40.55	40.55	40.55	39.67	39.67	39.67	40.55	40.55	40.55	40.55	40.55	40.55	41.45	41.45	41.45
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	55.90	56.80	69.10	43.29	50.57	66.00	59.75	58.75	72.25	57.00	57.00	63.00	59.25	58.00	69.75
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	73.25	73.25	73.25	74.57	74.57	74.57	76.80	76.80	76.80	74.00	74.00	74.00	76.67	76.67	76.67
Milk, condensed ..	14 oz. tin	25.10	25.10	25.10	25.07	24.86	24.86	25.50	25.50	25.50	24.90	24.90	25.10	26.00	26.00	26.00
" fresh, loose(b) ..	quart	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	28.00	28.00	28.00
" " bottled(b) ..	"	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50			
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		45.77			38.81			41.50			41.40			48.33	
" rib (without bone) ..	"		43.63			37.91			40.00			41.00			50.33	
" steak, rump ..	"		65.57			57.19			55.25			57.20			63.67	
" chuck ..	"		36.27			32.57			33.50			36.60			44.00	
" sausages ..	"		23.70			22.43			24.00			25.80			24.00	
" (corned) silver-side ..	"		45.17			39.86			42.50			43.20			49.33	
" brisket ..	"		32.70			26.81			26.75			32.80			37.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		28.56			23.87			25.50			28.33			31.50	
" forequarter ..	"		14.03			13.07			12.00			12.00			24.00	
" loin ..	"		20.10			19.67			24.00			16.04			23.50	
" chops, loin ..	"		21.05			21.13			22.50			25.00			23.50	
" " leg ..	"		24.56			23.47			22.50			25.00			27.00	
Pork, leg ..	"		55.80			48.29			45.00			47.40			57.00	
" loin ..	"		55.60			48.14			45.75			47.00			57.00	
" chops ..	"		56.07			49.00			45.75			47.40			57.00	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED.  
CANBERRA—QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER, 1958.**

Item.	Unit.	October.	November.	December.
		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
<b>Groceries, etc.—</b>				
Bread <sup>(b)</sup> .. ..	2 lb.	19.50	19.50	19.00
Flour, plain .. ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.00
" self-raising .. ..	"	24.45	24.45	24.15
Tea .. ..	lb.	78.60	77.95	77.95
Sugar .. ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00
Rice .. ..	"	13.00	13.00	13.00
Tapioca, seed .. ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00
Jam, plum .. ..	1½ lb.	39.56	39.28	39.33
Golden Syrup .. ..	2 lb.	24.00	24.00	24.00
Oats, flaked .. ..	lb.	13.12	13.12	13.12
Raisins, seeded .. ..	"	33.50	33.28	33.28
Currants .. ..	"	31.00	31.00	31.00
Apricots, dried .. ..	"	77.50	76.25	76.25
Peaches, canned .. ..	29 oz.	49.15	48.35	48.35
Pears, canned .. ..	"	48.25	47.45	47.45
Potatoes .. ..	7 lb.	42.00	37.10	41.74
Onions, brown .. ..	lb.	8.00	8.00	8.43
Soap .. ..	"	19.63	20.47	20.57
Kerosene .. ..	quart	11.25	11.25	11.25
<b>Dairy Produce—</b>				
Butter, factory .. ..	lb.	55.05	55.05	55.05
Cheese, mild .. ..	"	43.00	43.00	43.00
Eggs, new laid .. ..	doz.	69.80	75.75	75.80
Bacon, rashers .. ..	lb.	82.50	83.80	83.80
Milk, condensed .. ..	14 oz. tin	25.20	25.20	25.20
" fresh, bottled <sup>(b)</sup> .. ..	quart	25.00	25.00	25.00
<b>Meat—</b>				
		<b>Quarterly Average.</b>		
Beef, sirloin .. ..	lb.		48.50	
" rib (without bone) .. ..	"		37.87	
" steak, rump .. ..	"		66.03	
" " chuck .. ..	"		32.40	
" sausages .. ..	"		23.63	
" (corned) silverside .. ..	"		43.23	
" " brisket .. ..	"		31.30	
Mutton, leg .. ..	"		31.53	
" forequarter .. ..	"		19.33	
" loin .. ..	"		31.37	
" chops, loin .. ..	"		31.50	
" " leg .. ..	"		31.50	
Pork, leg .. ..	"		65.23	
" loin .. ..	"		64.97	
" chops .. ..	"		65.37	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

(b) Delivered.

## WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX.

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Group : Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco. (a)	Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.		
	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported. (b)	Goods principally Home Produced. (a)	Total All Groups. (a)
1936-37 ..	96	99	118	99	111	99	99	98	99	98	99
1937-38 ..	101	101	100	100	97	104	102	102	102	101	101
1938-39 ..	103	100	82	101	92	97	99	101	99	100	100
1941-42 ..	117	151	118	137	135	135	133	116	153	112	124
1942-43 ..	129	167	147	142	138	163	149	126	176	120	136
1943-44 ..	131	170	150	143	140	174	153	130	182	122	140
1944-45 ..	131	168	152	143	140	175	152	132	182	124	141
1945-46 ..	130	156	152	142	140	177	149	136	178	127	142
1946-47 ..	132	145	191	140	131	180	149	139	177	130	144
1947-48 ..	146	161	233	148	126	190	166	154	192	145	159
1948-49 ..	185	173	342	159	180	108	188	174	201	172	180
1949-50 ..	214	184	434	187	143	225	214	196	223	196	204
1950-51 ..	256	196	641	242	292	268	264	229	256	240	244
1951-52 ..	343	220	577	314	293	370	321	276	288	300	297
1952-53 ..	392	234	607	350	224	404	350	293	292	331	319
1953-54 ..	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954-55 ..	391	214	510	314	246	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955-56 ..	404	220	456	317	328	415	345	325	292	352	334
1956-57 ..	409	241	520	344	302	463	367	324	311	357	344
1957-58 ..	398	238	437	349	280	453	355	325	301	355	339
1956-57—											
October ..	410	241	503	344	306	467	367	325	310	359	344
November ..	413	241	522	344	306	467	369	319	314	354	342
December ..	412	241	523	344	307	467	369	321	315	355	343
January ..	412	240	533	344	307	467	369	321	316	354	343
February ..	409	244	544	344	298	467	370	324	318	356	345
March ..	407	244	532	344	296	467	368	324	315	356	344
April ..	407	244	547	344	289	467	369	324	313	358	344
May ..	403	244	548	344	289	467	367	317	311	352	340
June ..	402	240	527	345	283	467	365	328	307	360	345
1957-58—											
July ..	399	240	524	353	283	467	364	333	305	365	347
August ..	401	240	495	353	283	467	363	339	306	368	350
September ..	401	240	490	353	285	457	361	334	303	365	346
October ..	398	240	454	353	295	457	358	322	304	353	338
November ..	398	240	444	346	297	457	357	314	308	345	334
December ..	399	236	419	346	293	457	355	319	304	343	335
January ..	400	236	424	347	278	458	355	318	302	349	335
February ..	397	236	434	347	273	458	355	320	301	350	336
March ..	398	236	404	347	278	458	353	323	301	351	337
April ..	395	236	389	346	277	458	351	321	301	349	335
May ..	393	236	384	346	263	420	343	330	290	355	336
June ..	394	236	387	346	254	420	343	332	290	357	337
1958-59—											
July ..	394	231	387	327	249	420	339	332	285	357	336
August ..	394	231	358	327	244	420	338	338	285	360	338
September ..	394	231	358	327	244	432	340	337	283	361	338
October ..	394	231	341	327	243	432	339	330	282	356	334
November ..	394	232	344	327	254	425	338	326	282	352	332
December ..	390	231	337	327	267	420	336	322	282	348	323

(a) Reconstructed to exclude potatoes and onions as from base period. (b) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.

### FARM PRODUCTION PRICE INDEXES.

The annual indexes shown in the following table relate to average "prices" of farm products realized in the principal markets of Australia. The "price" data used are average unit values for the total quantities of the relevant commodities produced or marketed in each year and the indexes therefore measure both the effects of changes in prices (as such) and of variations in the quality, type, usage, etc., of products marketed. The indexes for any year relate to the average values of farm products produced or marketed in that year, irrespective of the periods in which payment is received by producers.

The indexes shown below are the Revised Series (December, 1952) in which average quantities of each product marketed in the period 1946-47 to 1950-51 have been used as fixed weights.

The preliminary indexes for 1957-58 are based mainly on the recorded or estimated movement in average values for the major farm products. They will be reviewed from time to time as further "price" data become available.

(Base: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Year.	Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1936-37 .. ..	114	115	93	109	126	104
1937-38 .. ..	98	98	102	99	95	100
1938-39 .. ..	88	87	105	92	79	96
1946-47 .. ..	194	182	157	185	187	185
1947-48 .. ..	267	263	183	247	301	230
1948-49 .. ..	234	313	197	260	366	225
1949-50 .. ..	272	396	228	316	483	261
1950-51 .. ..	291	818	258	505	1,098	308
1951-52 .. ..	355	501	332	410	552	363
1952-53 .. ..	364	531	387	440	623	379
1953-54 .. ..	324	534	395	429	621	365
1954-55 .. ..	316	489	371	401	540	355
1955-56 .. ..	330	451	392	397	468	373
1956-57 .. ..	336	536	386	432	607	374
1957-58(a) .. ..	341	437	380	390	476	362

(a) Preliminary estimate.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

These index numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all exports. The index numbers show price changes in the predominant market or markets for each commodity. (Average prices realized for exports are used for some markets.)

## RECENT TRENDS.

Reference to the group indexes shows the great fluctuations and the wide dispersion of prices of export commodities in recent years. Since wool is a predominant export (and comprises 45.63 per cent. of the Base Aggregate of the Index) fluctuations in wool prices obscure the effects which movements in prices of the other components have on the All Groups Index. For purposes of comparison the combined effect of price movements in these other components is shown separately in the column "All Groups excluding Wool".

## SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX: FIXED WEIGHTS.

In this index the weights are the average annual exports of each commodity (production in the case of gold) during the three years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

(Base of each Index: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Wheat	Butter	Metals. (a)	Meats. (b)	Sugar.	Dried Fruits. (c)	Tallow.	Hides. (d)	Gold.	All Groups.		
											Ex- clud- ing Gold.	Ex- clud- ing Wool.	Total All Groups.
Percentage Distribution of Base Aggregate	e 45.63 f 49.05 g ..	17.06 18.34 31.38	11.36 12.21 20.89	6.83 7.34 12.55	6.63 7.13 12.20	2.40 2.58 4.42	1.81 1.94 3.82	0.64 0.69 1.18	0.66 0.72 1.22	6.98 .. ..	100.00 .. ..	.. .. 100.00	100.00 .. ..
1936-37 ..	122	123	92	120	98	104	103	122	113	99	116	108	115
1937-38 ..	99	111	107	96	106	92	103	100	100	98	102	105	102
1938-39 ..	79	66	101	84	96	104	94	78	87	103	82	87	83
1949-50 ..	473	400	250	421	196	369	176	400	479	164	399	308	383
1950-51 ..	999	432	271	689	209	410	226	356	752	176	690	365	654
1951-52 ..	564	436	291	811	263	464	302	451	486	184	495	397	473
1952-53 ..	616	445	313	504	314	501	297	353	369	186	505	371	483
1953-54 ..	615	411	325	450	338	479	237	321	336	179	496	356	474
1954-55 ..	538	357	313	511	344	445	267	349	218	178	450	342	431
1955-56 ..	464	324	320	562	355	450	286	353	238	178	414	342	397
1956-57 ..	578	327	250	545	368	501	319	357	240	178	464	331	444
1957-58 ..	471	357	218	398	333	518	341	368	240	178	400	313	385
1956-57—													
January ..	596	332	227	570	385	439	311	359	226	178	472	330	451
February ..	611	335	222	557	388	473	(i)309	360	234	178	479	330	458
March ..	596	327	218	555	372	568	309	359	248	178	471	329	451
April ..	618	321	224	548	382	620	321	357	234	178	483	331	462
May ..	626	319	256	495	398	631	328	359	238	178	488	333	467
June ..	596	322	284	451	373	642	331	362	239	178	473	332	452
1957-58—													
July ..	(i)596	331	278	445	351	577	328	347	240	178	470	327	450
August ..	551	342	274	448	315	622	328	357	239	178	450	331	431
September ..	543	344	274	441	333	571	333	364	242	178	445	328	426
October ..	498	350	257	423	337	541	337	362	236	178	420	323	403
November ..	483	352	232	409	337	488	344	364	244	178	407	315	391
December ..	445	359	225	372	290	481	346	365	243	178	383	305	369
January ..	453	363	207	369	315	504	345	376	237	178	387	306	373
February ..	468	368	194	375	294	496	349	379	239	178	393	303	378
March ..	422	371	188	375	308	496	346	380	239	178	372	304	358
April ..	400	365	163	370	353	479	346	368	235	178	358	301	346
May ..	392	367	162	369	364	485	339	373	241	178	356	303	344
June ..	400	369	166	377	368	477	347	375	239	178	361	306	348
1958-59—													
July ..	(i)400	366	178	371	351	481	351	384	228	178	361	304	348
August ..	354	369	190	369	370	477	363	375	234	178	342	310	330
September ..	354	363	190	372	393	476	370	383	250	178	343	312	332
October ..	336	363	195	391	389	473	385	382	270	178	336	316	325
November ..	339	355	222	404	373	477	390	378	273	178	339	319	328
December ..	328	353	250	389	(j) 470	470	391	375	285	178	(h)334	(h)320	(h)323

(a) Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. (b) Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. Guaranteed minimum prices are used when operative. (c) Sultanas, raisins, currants. (d) Cattle hides, calf skins. (e) For All Groups (Total)—applicable from 1936-37. (f) For All Groups (excluding Gold)—applicable from 1936-37.

(g) For all Groups (excluding Wool)—applicable from 1936-37. (h) Preliminary. (i) Nominal. (j) Actual prices realized not yet fully known; provisional prices included in "All Groups" Indexes.

NOTE.—The "fixed weights" index above indicates satisfactorily the trends of export prices, but takes no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the prices ruling during a month. An index with "changing weights", which takes account of this factor, is published in a footnote to the Export Price Index in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

## SECTION XII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

## COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

(Base of each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1911 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Retail Price Index Numbers.					Nominal Wage Rates, Adult Males.	Real Wage Rates.(b)(d)
	Food and Groceries.(b)	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (c)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	Total "C" Series Retail Price Index.(b)		
Year—							
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	(e) 1,000	(e) 1,000	(e) 1,000	1,000	1,000
1914 ..	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948
1921 ..	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087
1928 ..	1,761	1,743	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172
1932 ..	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190
1938 ..	1,584	1,540	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209
1939 ..	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,210
1946 ..	1,852	1,596	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263
1947 ..	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318
1948 ..	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357
1949 ..	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367
1950 ..	2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389
1951 ..	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,495	1,439
1952 ..	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980	3,645	5,241	1,438
1953 ..	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126	3,820	5,539	1,450
1954 ..	4,776	1,949	4,865	3,139	3,860	5,632	1,459
1955 ..	5,027	2,005	4,894	3,168	3,970	5,773	1,454
1956 ..	A 5,227 B 5,514	2,166	4,930	3,403	A 4,130 B 4,226	6,050	A 1,465 B 1,432
1957 ..	5,315	5,311	5,075	3,611	4,259	(f) 6,261	1,470
1958 ..	5,402	5,352	2,386	5,167	3,690	4,340	6,361
Quarter—							
1952.							
December ..	4,544	1,789	4,712	3,098	3,722	5,423	1,458
1953.							
March ..	4,599	1,835	4,838	3,118	3,763	5,443	1,446
June ..	4,658	1,857	4,906	3,122	3,805	5,512	1,449
September ..	4,804	1,870	4,880	3,127	3,851	5,591	1,452
December ..	4,831	1,882	4,863	3,136	3,861	5,611	1,453
1954.							
March ..	4,798	1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	5,622	1,456
June ..	4,774	1,947	4,856	3,137	3,856	5,624	1,459
September ..	4,746	1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	5,623	1,460
December ..	4,787	1,977	4,870	3,136	3,871	5,653	1,462
1955.							
March ..	4,882	1,983	4,865	3,115	3,898	5,720	1,467
June ..	4,952	1,997	4,898	3,151	3,941	5,746	1,458
1956.							
September ..	A 5,024 B 5,103	2,014	4,903	3,168	A 3,973 B 4,001	5,774	A 1,453 B 1,443
December ..	5,061	5,169	2,025	4,910	3,239	4,041	5,853
1956.							
March ..	5,098	5,232	2,142	4,903	3,253	4,044	4,090
June ..	5,225	5,461	2,158	4,910	3,367	4,115	4,195
September ..	5,302	5,800	2,174	4,928	3,460	4,167	4,334
December ..	5,232	5,562	2,189	4,977	3,532	4,192	4,286
1957.							
March ..	5,315	5,331	2,218	5,024	3,556	4,226	4,231
June ..	5,322	5,359	2,245	5,070	3,605	4,256	4,268
September ..	5,340	5,319	2,271	5,087	3,634	4,278	4,271
December ..	5,284	5,234	2,288	5,119	3,649	4,275	4,256
1958.							
March ..	5,385	5,343	2,308	5,129	3,652	4,316	4,301
June ..	5,396	5,332	2,379	5,176	3,653	4,348	4,326
September ..	5,395	5,329	2,414	5,179	3,688	4,364	4,341
December ..	5,431	5,404	2,444	5,184	3,763	4,401	4,391

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of food and groceries and rent, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) Indexes in columns "A" exclude, and those in columns "B" include, the price movement of potatoes and onions. (c) See note (b) on page 104. (d) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (e) Taken back from November, 1914 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index. (f) Partly estimated.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

NOTE.—(1) In most cases where figures are available back to 1861, these were shown in the September, 1953 issue of the *Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics*, pages 112 and 113.

(2) Most of the statistics in this summary relate to the periods shown in the table headings. In those comparatively few cases where the statistics relate to other periods, this is indicated in footnotes.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1953.
<b>DEMOGRAPHY(a)—</b>								
Population(b) { '000 Males ..	1,737	2,005	2,382	2,799	3,333	3,599	4,311	4,932
'000 Females ..	1,504	1,820	2,192	2,712	3,220	3,545	4,217	4,815
'000 Persons ..	3,241	3,825	4,574	5,511	6,553	7,144	8,528	9,747
Net Oversea Migration '000	26.9	3.0	74.4	17.5	-10.1	5.2	111.4	78.7
Marriages .. { '000	24	28	39	47	39	77	74	74
Rate(c)	7.5	7.3	8.8	8.6	6.0	10.6	9.2	7.6
Divorces(d) and Judicial Separations ..	194	398	509	1,490	1,969	3,351	7,330	6,374
Births .. { '000	110	103	122	136	119	135	193	220
Rate(c)	34.5	27.2	27.2	25.0	18.2	18.9	23.0	22.9
Deaths .. { '000	47	46	48	54	57	71	82	85
Rate(c)	14.8	12.2	10.7	9.9	8.7	10.0	9.7	8.8
Infant Deaths .. { '000	12.7	10.7	8.4	9.0	5.0	5.3	4.9	4.7
Rate(e)	115.3	103.6	68.5	65.7	42.1	39.7	25.2	21.4
<b>WAGES (ADULT MALES)(a)—</b>								
Nominal Weekly Wage Index Numbers	(f)	848	1,000	1,826	1,752	1,997	4,495	6,261
Real Wage Index Numbers(g) ..	(f)	(f)	1,000	1,087	1,210	1,194	1,439	(h)1,470
<b>PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INDUSTRIES—</b>								
<b>Agricultural(j)—</b>								
Wheat .. { Area mill. acs.	3.3	5.1	7.4	9.7	14.7	12.0	10.4	8.8
Yield mill. bus.	26	39	72	129	191	167	160	98
Av. Yield bus.	7.7	7.5	9.6	13.3	12.9	13.9	15.4	11.0
Oats .. { Area '000 acs.	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	2,365	2,953
Yield mill. bus.	5.7	9.8	9.6	12.1	15.2	22.3	34.5	31.4
Av. Yield bus.	23.3	21.2	15.5	16.6	14.0	15.3	14.6	10.6
Barley .. { Area '000 acs.	68	75	116	299	342	784	1,118	2,121
Yield mill. bus.	1.2	1.5	2.1	6.1	6.3	18.0	21.9	30.5
Av. Yield bus.	17.3	20.4	17.7	20.4	18.4	23.0	19.6	14.4
Malze .. { Area '000 acs.	284	295	340	305	269	301	170	184
Yield mill. bus.	9.3	7.0	8.9	7.8	7.1	7.4	4.0	5.6
Av. Yield bus.	32.6	23.9	26.3	25.7	26.2	24.7	23.7	30.6
Hay .. { Area '000 acs.	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	1,549	2,237
Yield '000 tons	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	2,345	2,969
Av. Yield tons	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.51	1.33
Potatoes .. { Area '000 acs.	113	110	130	149	145	99	118	118
Yield '000 tons	380	323	301	388	397	333	509	575
Av. Yield tons	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	4.31	4.88
Area(k) '000 acs.	45	87	101	128	242	255	282	376
Sugar-cane .. { Yield '000 tons	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	5,327	9,249
Av. Yield tons	16.2	15.7	16.7	19.0	17.4	20.3	18.9	24.6
Vineyards .. { Area '000 acs.	49	64	61	92	115	130	136	131
Wine mill. gals.	3.4	5.3	5.0	8.5	14.2	15.6	35.3	33.9
Total Area of Crops mill. acs.	5.4	8.4	12.1	15.4	21.2	20.5	19.7	21.5
<b>Pastoral, Dairying, etc.—</b>								
Livestock(l) { Horses mill.	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.4	1.8	1.6	0.9	0.7
Cattle ..	11.1	8.5	11.8	14.4	12.3	13.6	14.9	16.9
Sheep ..	106	72	97	86	111	125	118	149
Pigs ..	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.0	1.4
Wool(m) .. { mill. lb.	(a) 634	(a) 539	(a) 798	723	1,007	1,167	1,080	1,433
Butter .. { (a) 19	(a) 19	(a) 46	(a) 95	(a) 119	175	165	135	176
Cheese .. { (a) 4.5	(a) 4.5	(a) 5.3	(a) 7.1	(a) 14.6	14.0	30.1	40.6	34.9
<b>Meat(n)—</b>								
Beef and Veal .. " "	(f)	(f)	(f)	339	350	534	582	777
Mutton and Lamb .. " "	(f)	(f)	(f)	218	307	372	282	411
Pork .. " "	(f)	(f)	(f)	11.1	22.7	58.1	35.0	48.2
Bacon and Ham .. " "	(a) 7.5	(a) 15.2	(a) 23.8	26.2	31.8	42.5	36.6	36.4
Total Meat .. " "	(f)	(f)	(f)	608	727	1,027	949	1,286

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) At 31st December of previous year. (c) Number per 1,000 of mean population. (d) Decreases made absolute, including decrees for nullity of marriage. (e) Number per 1,000 live births. (f) Not available. (g) Index of nominal weekly wage rates for adult males divided by the "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (h) Excludes potatoes and onions. (i) Includes potatoes and onions. (j) Season ending in year shown. (k) Cane cut for crushing. (l) As at 31st December of previous year for years to 1942, as at 31st March thereafter. (m) In terms of greasy. (n) Bone-in weight in terms of fresh meat, cured weight, bacon and ham.

## Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 121.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1958.
<b>PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INDUSTRIES—continued.</b>								
Mineral(a)(b)—								
Copper(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	13.5	20.9	17.9	56.7
Gold(c) .. '000 fine oz.	1,243	3,300	2,484	758	595	1,497	896	1,084
Lead(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	150.8	289.4	212.0	333.0
Zinc(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	66.1	232.6	189.2	292.0
Black Coal .. mill. tons.	4.4	6.9	10.6	12.8	8.4	14.2	17.6	19.9
Brown Coal .. " "	..	..	(e)	0.1	2.2	4.6	7.8	10.7
Forestry—								
Sawn output of native timber mill, sup. ft.	(d)	(a) 452	(a) 605	590	237	914	1,393	1,400
Factories—								
Number of factories '000								
Persons employed ..	(f)	(f)	{ 14.5	18.0	21.7	27.0	45.8	54.0
Salaries and wages paid £m.			{ 312	379	337	725	978	1,073
Net value of production—			{ 28	68	56	180	612	929
Chemicals, etc. .. £m.			{ 1.1	3.2	7.9	24.8	63.7	
Industrial metals, etc. ..			{ 12.0	23.6	22.8	119.9	413.1	
Textiles, etc. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 7.5	19.2	{ 6.9	21.0	56.6	
Clothing ..			{ 11.1	23.6	81.1			(g)
Food, etc. ..			{ 11.8	27.2	28.7	53.2	141.1	
Paper, etc. ..			{ 4.2	9.0	9.6	17.1	68.2	
All groups ..	23.3	29.1	{ 47.5	112.5	111.0	316.5	1,024.0	
Value of plant & machinery, ..			{ 31.4	78.1	121.5	169.2	412.5	1,012.1
Value of land and buildings ..	(d)	(d)	{ 32.5	67.3	106.6	156.3	360.2	851.1
Net Value of production(h)—								
Agriculture .. £m.	17.0	23.8	38.8	81.9	49.7	64.0	246.7	
Pastoral ..	31.3	27.2	52.7	75.1	43.0	85.4	400.5	
Dairying ..	6.0	7.6	16.1	35.3	22.6	34.3	103.8	
Poultry ..	1.9	2.0	4.0	9.0	5.7	6.5	31.5	
Bee-farming ..	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.8	
Total, Rural ..	56.3	60.7	110.7	201.4	121.1	190.6	783.3	
Trapping ..	(d)	(d)	{ 4.8	9.1	1.5	5.0	6.7	
Forestry ..			{ 1.1	1.4	3.9	10.2	37.9	(g)
Fishing and Whaling ..	4.4	2.8	{ 4.1	1.4	1.4	1.8	5.7	
Mining and Quarrying ..	12.1	22.0	23.3	20.0	18.5	33.4	97.2	
Total, Non-rural ..	16.5	24.8	29.2	30.5	20.3	50.4	147.5	
Total, Primary ..	72.8	85.5	140.9	231.9	141.4	241.0	930.8	
Factories ..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5	111.0	316.5	1,024.9	
Total, All Industries ..	96.1	114.6	188.4	344.4	252.4	557.5	1,955.7	
<b>BUILDING(i)—</b>								
Permits, New Dwellings { '000	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	{ 2.1	9.7	32.8	41.4
Permits, All Buildings(j) £m.					{ 1.5	9.6	80.4	143.7
..					{ 4.6	13.5	116.4	229.9
<b>OVERSEA TRADE—</b>								
Imports .. £m. f.o.b.	(a) 34	(a) 38	(a) 61	94	52	174	1,053	792
Exports .. " "	36	50	79	128	108	169	675	819
Principal Exports(k)—								
Wool .. mill. lb.(l)	641	529	734	946	903	938	1,036	1,280
.. £m. f.o.b.	20	15	26	48	32	58	323	374
Wheat .. '000 tons	258	543	1,477	2,677	3,413	598	1,685	1,060
.. £m. f.o.b.	1.9	2.8	9.6	28.6	19.2	4.6	55.3	28.5
Flour .. '000 short tons	33	97	176	360	611	414	789	46.0
.. £m. f.o.b.	0.3	0.6	1.4	5.5	3.8	4.2	33.0	14.3
Butter .. mill. lb.	4	35	102	127	202	130	25	114
.. £m. f.o.b.	0.2	1.4	4.6	8.0	10.3	8.1	4.6	15.6
Hides and Skins .. £m. f.o.b.	0.9	1.3	3.2	3.1	2.3	6.0	17.1	25.4
Meats .. " "	0.5	2.6	4.3	5.6	6.4	14.1	35.5	55.2
Fruit(m) .. " "	..	0.2	0.5	3.0	4.8	4.0	19.5	34.8
Sugar .. " "	..	(e)	(e)	(e)	2.5	2.6	6.9	35.0
Gold .. " "	5.7	14.3	12.0	3.5	11.9	9.2	7.0	6.4
Silver and Lead(n) .. " "	1.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	2.9	7.4	32.1	29.1
Ores and Concentrates(o) ..	..	(e)	3.7	0.8	0.2	1.3	20.4	15.9

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Breaks in the continuity of the series occurred in 1931 and 1951. (c) Mine production; i.e., metal content of minerals produced. (d) Not available. (e) Less than .05. (f) Owing to variation in classification, effective comparison is impossible. (g) Not yet available. (h) Gross value from 1891 to 1921-22. Prior to 1922 figures are for years ended previous December. (i) Six capital cities and suburbs. (j) Includes additions and alterations. (k) Australian produce except gold, which includes re-exports. (l) In terms of greasy. (m) Excludes fruit juices. (n) Includes concentrates. (o) Excluding Lead and Silver-lead ores and concentrates. See note (n).

## Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 121.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1958.
<b>OVERSEA TRADE—continued.</b>								
Principal Imports—		(a)	(a)					
Vegetable foodstuffs, etc. . . . . £m.f.o.b.		3.6	3.7	4.0	2.6	6.1	25.0	26.6
Apparel, etc. . . . .		10.9	16.2	31.0	15.4	32.7	203.6	108.5
Oil, etc. . . . .		1.2	1.6	4.7	5.5	16.2	87.5	101.7
Metals, etc. . . . .		7.8	14.0	22.8	7.4	71.8	393.4	282.4
Rubber, etc. . . . .		0.5	1.4	1.7	0.8	3.2	34.0	16.6
Paper, etc. . . . .		1.6	2.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	68.8	45.1
<b>TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION—</b>								
Shipping—	(a)	(a)	(a)					
Oversea Vessels, . . . . . No.	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	2,544	4,186	5,265
Entrances and Clearances . . . . . mill. tons	4.7	6.5	10.0	9.1	11.4	10.8	18.2	24.6
Oversea Cargo—								
Discharged . . . . . mill. tons (c)			(b)	2.4	3.0	5.5	14.4	16.6
Shipped . . . . . " " (c)			(b)	5.8	6.7	4.2	5.7	8.9
Interstate Vessels, . . . . . No.		(b)	9,605	9,782	7,957	9,100	7,524	8,103
Entrances and Clearances . . . . . mill. tons		(b)	13.1	12.8	11.1	12.9	15.8	20.0
Interstate Cargo Shipped . . . . . mill. tons (c)			(b)	5.5	4.0	10.0	9.0	13.8
Government Railways—	(d)	(d)	(d)					
Route-miles . . . . . '000	10.4	12.8	16.8	23.5	27.0	27.2	26.8	26.4
Passenger-journeys . . . . .	84	115	228	335	303	475	501	494
Goods and livestock carried . . . . . '000 tons	9.4	15.5	25.5	31.5	26.1	38.9	44.3	45.2
Train-miles run . . . . . mill.	29.7	38.2	55.2	56.1	63.8	88.5	93.4	90.3
Tramways and Omnibuses—								
Passenger-journeys—								
Trams . . . . . mill.		(b)	360	569	589	874	689	479
Omnibuses . . . . . " "		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	193	330	323
Motor vehicles on the register—								
Cars . . . . . '000			(b)	102	420	451	1,032	1,676
Commercial vehicles . . . . .			(b)		96	251	583	735
Civil Aviation (e)—								
Plane-miles flown . . . . . mill.					2.5	7.8	41.8	40.5
Passengers carried . . . . . '000					57	152	1,829	2,123
Passenger-miles . . . . . mill.					(b)	76	722	899
Freight car-ried . . . . . '000 tons (f)					0.1	1.2	57.5	70.0
ried . . . . . '000 ton-miles (f)					(b)	0.9	26.7	33.0
Postal—	(a)	(a)	(a)					
Postal matter dealt with (g) . . . . . mill. articles	286	365	680	778	887	1,124	1,482	1,895
Telegrams and cablegrams mill.	10.0	9.9	13.3	16.8	13.9	26.1	25.4	22.9
Telephones—								
Instruments . . . . . '000	7	29	103	259	485	739	1,301	1,937
Lines . . . . . " "	(b)	25	85	196	364	531	927	1,362
Calls—Trunk . . . . . mill.	(b)	(b)	(b)	14.0	28.9	45.3	69.4	112.6
Local . . . . . " "	(b)	(b)	(b)	221	369	664	968	1,295
Broadcast Listeners' Licences . . . . . '000			(h)	36	369	1,320	1,961	2,138
<b>PUBLIC FINANCE—</b>								
Commonwealth—								
Consolidated Revenue Fund—		(d)	(d)					
Revenue . . . . . £m.		11	21	64	72	210	1,017	1,324
Expenditure . . . . . " "		4	15	64	72	210	1,017	1,324
Net loan fund expenditure (t) . . . . .			1	5	4	213	55	60
Taxation collections . . . . .		9	16	50	54	180	934	1,162
State—								
Consolidated Revenue Funds—								
Revenue . . . . . £m.	(b)	28	41	85	100	152	388	603
Expenditure . . . . . " "	(b)	29	41	87	121	149	302	612
Net loan expenditure (t) . . . . .	(b)	9	16	34	6	8	198	157
Taxation collections . . . . .	(b)	3	5	18	33	57	63	128
Public Debt (f)—								
Commonwealth . . . . . £m.			6	354	319	638	1,869	1,735
State . . . . . " "	a155.1	213	279	519	789	911	1,396	2,248
Total . . . . . " "	a155.1	213	285	873	1,108	1,549	3,265	3,983
Overseas . . . . . " "	(b)	(b)	194	412	522	516	406	429
In Australia . . . . . " "	(b)	(b)	91	461	586	1,033	2,859	3,554

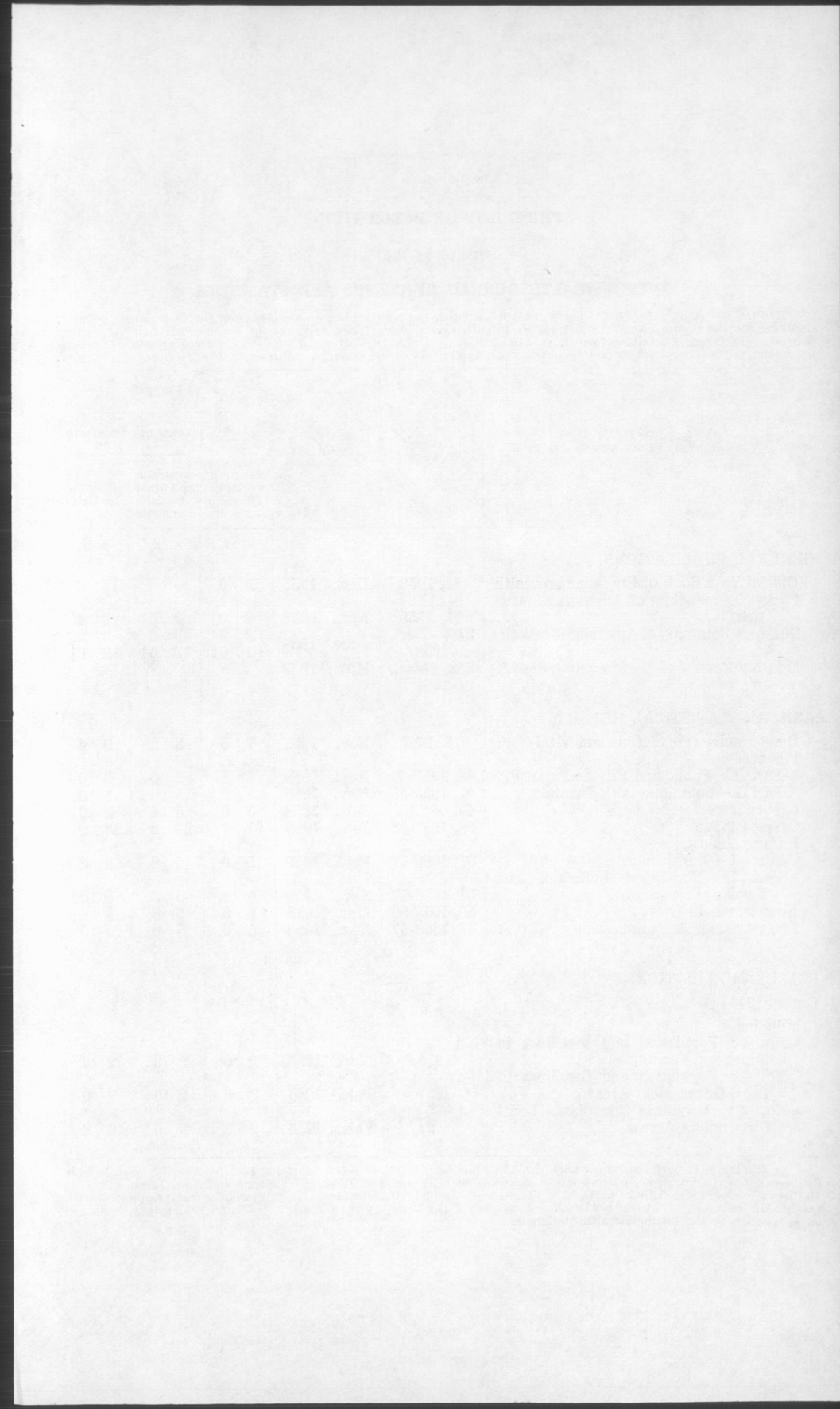
(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Not available. (c) Tons weight plus tons measurement. (d) Year ended 30th June. (e) Regular internal services. (f) In terms of short tons (2,000 lb.). (g) Letters, postcards, letter-cards, newspapers, packets, parcels and registered articles. (h) Year 1923-24. (i) Loan expenditure on works, services, etc. (j) At 30th June.

## Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 121.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1958.
<b>PRIVATE FINANCE—</b>								
Commonwealth Note Issue(a) £m.	(b)	(b)	8	54	51	103	303	388
Cheque-paying Banks—								
Advances(c) .. ..	125	94	119	182	261	324	817	1,009
Deposits(c) .. ..	98	93	150	289	319	481	1,353	1,649
Bank clearings(d) ..	(b)	338	662	1,702	1,581	2,828	12,160	15,978
Savings bank deposits(e) ..	(d) 15	31	59	154	198	274	892	1,297
Life Assurance(d)(f)—								
Ordinary—								
Policies .. '000	}	414	484	730	871	1,340	2,553	3,446
Sum assured .. £m.		108	109	181	285	463	1,212	2,533
Industrial—								
Policies .. '000		236	467	973	1,550	2,780	3,843	3,615
Sum assured .. £m.	(b)	5	10	30	67	127	254	323
Total—								
Policies .. '000	}	650	951	1,703	2,421	4,120	6,396	7,061
Sum assured .. £m.		113	119	211	352	590	1,466	2,856
<b>SOCIAL STATISTICS—</b>								
Commonwealth Social Services—								
Age and Invalid Pen- sions .. '000(g)	..	..	90	144	256	336	420	574
Child Endowment .. £m.	..	..	2.2	5.4	11.1	19.3	59.8	121.6
Claims in force .. '000(g)	..	..	..	..	..	488	1,205	1,415
Total Commonwealth Social and Health Services(h) £m.	..	..	..	..	..	11.3	46.6	58.7
War Pensions .. '000(g)	..	..	2.2	6.1	11.5	30.9	137.6	247.5
Service Pensions .. £m.	..	..	..	225	274	220	525	628
State Social Services(i)—	..	..	..	7.0	7.4	7.5	31.8	50.3
Education(d)—	..	..	..	..	..	14	17	42
Government Schools—	..	..	..	..	..	0.6	1.8	5.6
Schools .. '000	6.2	7.0	8.0	9.4	10.1	9.5	7.6	}
Staff .. ..	12.6	14.5	17.0	26.1	33.8	32.1	36.7	
Students .. ..	561	638	639	819	937	887	1,013	
Non-Government Schools—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Schools .. '000	2.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	}
Staff .. ..	6.0	8.3	7.8	8.8	10.0	11.4	13.3	
Students .. ..	125	149	161	199	221	257	326	
Universities (k)—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Number .. ..	4	4	5	6	6	8	9	10
Staff(l) .. ..	(b)	(b)	249	482	703	1,416	3,082	3,769
Students .. '000	1.6	1.8	3.4	8.0	9.8	13.9	31.7	36.9
Public Hospitals—	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	..	..	}
Number .. ..	(b)	285	355	404	513	566	675	
Staff—Medical .. '000	(b)	(b)	1.1	1.5	3.2	3.9	6.9	
Nursing .. ..	(b)	(b)	5.1	6.8	9.3	15.4	24.6	
In-patients, cases treated ..	(mn) 54	(n) 91	134	215	371	595	896	..
<b>POLICE AND PRISONS(d)—</b>								
Police .. ..	5.3	5.8	6.4	6.9	8.6	9.7	12.3	14.1
Prisons .. ..	(b)	(b)	104	91	85	70	69	73
Prisoners .. ..	(b)	4.3	3.1	2.9	4.2	3.2	4.8	6.6
<b>PRICES(d)—</b>								
"C" Series Retail Price Index ..	..	..	1,000	1,680	1,448	1,673	3,124	(o) 4,259 (p) 4,257

(a) At the end of June. (b) Not available. (c) Figures for 1892 are averages of weekly balances for the December quarter 1891; the remainder are for the June quarter. (d) Year ended previous December. (e) 1891 at 31st December, thereafter 30th June. (f) Existing business in Australia. (g) At 30th June. (h) Excludes war and service pensions. (i) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (j) Not yet available. (k) Excludes Australian National University. (l) Teaching and research staff. Includes part-time. (m) Year 1891-92 for Victoria. (n) Adelaide Hospital only included in South Australia. (o) Excludes price movement of potatoes and onions. (p) Includes price movement of potatoes and onions.



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